

15 Years in the Making: A Conversation with Paul Murphy, Chief Executive Officer

Why did you change your name?

There are times in a company's life where you come to a crossroad. When you step back and think for the long term, you can settle for the status quo, or you can make bold decisions that you expect to benefit your company and provide ways to expand your horizons. Over the years, an issue that had come up in our strategic discussions again and again had been the confinements of our name.

More than two dozen financial companies in Texas have 'south-west' as part of their names. There's a mortgage company and a securities company with that name. There are two banks in Texas that shared our name. What's more, we could not use our name outside the 10-county Houston region.

We're growing both throughout Texas and in our capabilities and services. So we faced a choice – either continue to operate under a variety of names which we felt was confusing and expensive, or find a name that is ours alone. We chose to take a bold step and change our name. We were not willing to settle for the status quo.

How did you come up with Amegy Bank?

It was a long and soul-searching process. Finding a unique name, and one that wasn't "cluttered" in the financial industry,

was challenging. We looked at over 3,000 names. We knew we needed a name that could grow with us, because, believe me, we don't plan to do this again! Through the process, it became apparent that a coined name would be best.

What does 'Amegy' mean?

It's a combination of two words – *America* and *energy*. It reflects the energy and values of people in America. Over time, Amegy will reflect our core values: doing the right thing – always with integrity, taking time to listen, finding common-sense solutions, making everyone count and getting results. These are the values that have enabled us to become the largest independent bank in Houston and the third largest in Texas. We want to keep close to our history and the culture we've developed as Southwest Bank of Texas.

You now refer to yourselves as Amegy Bank and Amegy Bank of Texas. Which is it?

It's both. Our legal name is Amegy Bank National Association. However, I prefer Amegy Bank of Texas because we're proud of our Texas heritage and that part of our old name. We are using Amegy Bank of Texas when we can. Trust me, our bankers will answer to either one!

A nickname that has caught on with customers and employees is The 'A' Bank. I like this because it shows we are striving to earn an "A" from our customers, communities, employees and shareholders every day – just as we have for the last 15 years.

We have the same dedicated bankers, and a strong Board of Directors. We all have deep roots in Texas....

Paul Murphy



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What else is changing?

Really, not anything. Our customers have been pleased to find that nothing is changing on a day-to-day basis for them. Their PIN numbers, account numbers and bankers have not changed. And they can continue to use the same checks and debit cards.

We have the same strategy to serve Texas. We have the same dedicated bankers and a strong Board of Directors. We all have deep roots in Texas and an enthusiasm and deep commitment to providing the best financial products and services of any bank in this part of the country. Our customers still will have access to local management and local decision makers because we believe that is key for growing a banking franchise for the future.

What has been the initial reaction?

Pretty much as we expected. There have been many who understand the logic and are comfortable with the change, and a few who are hesitant. Our bankers have done a great job in explaining the new name and what it means. The stories are growing daily of their successful interactions and new business opportunities. The television, radio and newspaper advertising to announce the name has created a higher level of interest in our Bank than at any time in our history. Our bankers are excited about that because they see even more business opportunities being developed.

When our investors heard about the change and realized how we were fenced in with our old name, they also have understood. The new name will be good for our shareholders because we will gain some efficiencies, but more than that, we can rally under one banner and build a strong brand. In summary, it is going well.

Does your name change send any other messages?

Yes, a very important one. Our new name represents our vision for growth ... and our commitment to big bank Ability and small bank Agility. That is not just a marketing tagline. There could not be a bank in a better position. We have a small share in large markets; we have the best team of bankers in the industry, and we continue to develop the most innovative products and services.

We see incredible opportunities ahead. We want this Bank to be the best source of financial capital for our customers, the best place to work for our employees, and we want to provide the best return to our shareholders.

And, perhaps most important, we have a clear strategy and sense of purpose. The future for Amegy Bank, I'm certain, is going to be Amazing.



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An Exciting Year. A Bright Future.

What does it take to have a successful year?

As a growing regional bank in Texas, certainly loan growth and deposit growth have to be at the top of the list. A successful bank would also have expanded its product and services mix. A thriving bank would make certain its customers and prospects understood the added efficiency and effectiveness that those products and services can bring to them. A successful year would include proving again that we are valuable to our communities.

In 2004, Southwest Bank of Texas – now Amegy Bank of Texas – accomplished all of these things. The numbers ... and activities ... bear it out.

First the numbers:

- Net income increased 13%.
- Earnings per share increased 11%.
- · Loans increased 29%.
- Deposits increased 28%.
- Total revenue increased 18%.
- Noninterest income increased 16%.

You can't argue with growth. And you can't argue with 15 years of consistency.

Continued Organic Growth: Part of the story in 2004 was our strong organic growth. Our banking officers constitute an incredible marketing machine for loans, deposits and fee income. They enjoy the satisfaction of producing results for customers. It's part of the "banker DNA" here. For example:

- \$750 million increase in loans for the year was organic.
- \$470 million of deposit growth was organic.

By any measure, the basics of banking are in excellent shape at Amegy Bank.

Consistent Underlying Strategies: A successful bank – and one that has an eye trained on the future – can't rest on its laurels. It has to keep moving – deliberately at times, quickly at other times – but always with consistent underlying strategies. Again, 2004 was another year when the pieces came together with tangible results.

Strategic Mergers: Over the past seven years, we moved when the right merger partners came forward ... banks that met our needs for growing deposits and possessed the opportunity to build business as well as expand our geographic footprint. During the past 18 months, Maxim Bank, Lone Star Bank and Klein Bank each fit our needs to a tee. Maxim expanded our reach into the growing Johnson Space Center area and northern Galveston County in late 2003. This year,

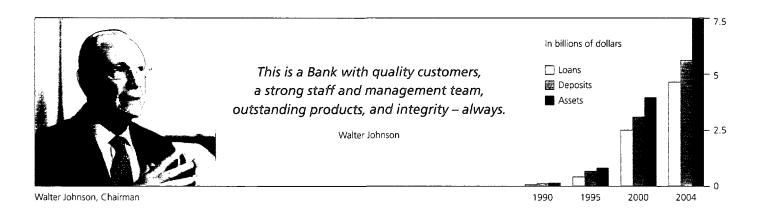
Lone Star, with five well-positioned banking centers, firmly launched us in Dallas. The build-out of an operations center for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex further cemented our commitment to Texas companies that are looking for efficient operations and management of their financial resources. Klein Bank, with its significant deposit base and the opportunity to increase loans in one of the fast-growing areas of the state, was a "gem" of a bank ... and merger partner. While we plan to slow down in the near term on the merger front, we are attuned to making a move when the opportunities present themselves.

Capital Management: Several actions were taken to access attractive market conditions and enhance capital. To finance the merger with Klein and support loan growth, the Company raised \$170 million in new trust preferred securities and subordinated debt, and issued \$15 million of common equity. A registered dividend reinvestment plan (DRIP) with an optional cash purchase feature was put in place. These measures represent the evolution of our financial capabilities and opportunities.

Credit and Risk Management: For us, conservative optimization of all risks, including credit, is ingrained in our culture. What does that mean? Simply, that we are a conservative bank. However, we look at risk as an opportunity for management, not necessarily to over control it. It's a delicate balance that requires attention but allows growth of our business and appropriate empowerment for our bankers. Case in point, the credit portfolio grew to over \$4.6 billion in 2004 without compromising credit quality. While past performance is no guarantee of future results, the track record is indicative of our attention to overall asset quality and risk management.

The requirements of Sarbanes Oxley, while time consuming and in some instances exceedingly burdensome, are nonetheless a fact of doing business in today's world. We welcome responsible oversight. We spent a considerable amount of time and money in 2004 to document and test our internal controls over financial reporting. Now that this initial documentation is behind us, we are hopeful that the ongoing Sarbanes requirements will not be as cumbersome in the coming years.

Customer Service: We are convinced that how our employees feel is ultimately how our customers feel. It would be a cliché ... if it weren't true ... to say we go the extra mile. We know we must continue to exceed our customers' expectations. To drive this point home, and to ensure that we never let our guard down, we have initiated a coordinated – and integrated – customer service program to pull all our service initiatives together. We hired a coordinator to ensure that



An Amazing History ... and Future

I am often asked if anyone could have ever imagined 15 years ago that a tiny bank in the suburbs of Houston would turn out to be the growth story it has been.

It would be easy to say yes, but that would not acknowledge all the hard work and long hours, the attention to detail that can make or break a relationship, or just the pure guts it took for 20 people to come together in February 1990 and launch a new way of banking in Houston. This city and this state have been good to us.

And, in return, we have been:

- A source of capital for businesses to grow
- Ardent believers that products and services have to add value to our customers
- A solid participating citizen in our communities.

Today, I am as optimistic as I was on that first day when I told our employees standing in the lobby because we didn't have enough chairs, "Let's go build a bank – a good one!"

I have never known a bank as well positioned for the future as this one. This is a bank with quality customers, a strong staff and management team, outstanding

products, and integrity – always, and we know our markets because we are part of them. Our directors are committed to this Bank's being a strong source of capital for the economic success of this region of the country because that's what a banking franchise should do and because of their own

Our history has been great, and the future? I am convinced it will continue to be Amazing.

Walter Johnson, Chairman

deep Texas roots.

Walter Johnson

we train, measure and reward employees and that they have the right resources to perform at outstanding levels.

We will not lose our differentiation as the bank that provides exceptional and reliable customer service, or, as we are now known, The 'A' Bank because we strive to earn an "A" from our customers every day, just as we always have.

Board Development: In today's world, our strong board is a vital element in our forward momentum. We continue to recruit and attract directors who are community leaders and who are committed to economic growth, the success of our business and providing a solid return to our shareholders.

Kirbyjon J. Caldwell, Senior Pastor of Windsor Village United Methodist Church, one of the fastest-growing in the denomination and one with a spirit of community revitalization and growth, was elected as a Bank and holding company director. Mark A. Wallace, President and CEO of Texas Children's Hospital, world renowned and the largest pediatric healthcare provider in the United States, and Christopher J. Pappas, CEO of Pappas Restaurants, Inc. and President and CEO of Luby's, Inc., were elected to the Bank board.

What are our challenges?

There are two main challenges – net interest margin and deposit growth. In a rising rate environment and with a slightly asset sensitive balance sheet, we expected the margin to improve more quickly. Ironically, one of our greatest strengths – generating loans – has meant

that loans have grown faster than deposits, resulting in a greater reliance on wholesale funding, which also impacts the margin.

Despite the declines in the net interest margin, our net interest income growth has been strong, reflecting our core growth in loans and deposits. Given the outlook for increased competition, we are building our business plan for double-digit earnings growth with the expectation that the net interest margin will remain in the current range.

Growth can come in several ways, and it is a tribute to our bankers that loans, deposits and fee income grew significantly and, consequently, we posted a double-digit increase in earnings per share, or 11%, in 2004. And we believe we have a strong year of core business growth ahead of us in 2005.

Another vehicle to provide financing for growing companies is our shared national credits – or, as we prefer to call them 'shared regional credits.' In fact, Texas ranks third in the number of Fortune 500 companies, making this an attractive market for this type of business. Here are some key facts:

- 86% of our 'shared regional credits' are Texas companies.
- They represent \$767 million in loans, about 16% of the total portfolio, and provide \$335 million in deposits.
- Fee income associated with this portfolio is approximately \$13 million.

The return on these relationships track that of the Bank overall. We serve as agent, co-agent or already had significant relationships with 65% of these companies. It is good business, and business that supports growth both within the Bank and in our markets.

LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS



Paul Murphy, CEO, and Scott McLean, President

Competition is always a challenge. It was when we began 15 years ago when we had strong local banks, and it is today with strong global banks. We have proven that we understand the competitive landscape and can succeed. It will continue to be our goal to do things better and faster than others ... and with a can-do attitude. To us, it's all about ability – and agility.

Our strategies that promote growth have a price tag. Expense management is a way of life, but for a higher efficiency ratio, we believe investors get two important things:

- Well-above average growth and
- A tighter, better managed risk environment.

To maintain our momentum and service differentiation as well as our solid asset quality, we always will lean to ensuring growth and consistency. We believe that's what separates us from the rest of the market and makes us particularly valuable to investors.

The Upshot

Looking back on the year, we would give ourselves solid marks. There is still work to be done and we don't take our success for granted.

In 2005, we plan to continue to execute the strategies that have served us so well:

- Grow our core business
- Foster customer service in every possible way
- Ensure our culture as a community bank with strong capabilities and local decision making
- Continue to strengthen our capital position and protect asset quality
- Remain alert for appropriate merger and acquisition activity.

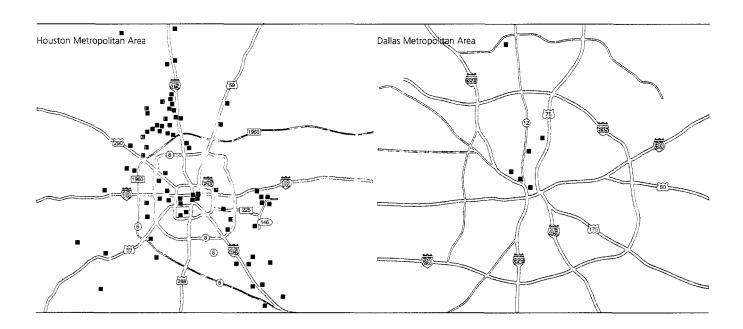
In our 15-year journey, we've grown from \$50 million in assets, one Houston location and 20 employees to \$7.5 billion in assets, over 75 locations throughout Texas and 2,100 employees. Since our IPO in 1997, our compounded return to investors has been 24%.

That's quite a record, and, as Amegy Bank of Texas, we're looking forward to the future.

Sincerely,

Paul Murphy

Scott McLean



Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts

Year Ended December 31	2003	2004	Change
Balance Sheet Data:			
Assets	\$ 5,947,133	\$ 7,505,603	26.2%
Deposits	4,403,239	5,620,043	27.6%
Loans	3,588,572	4,646,982	29.5%
Allowance for loan losses	(41,611)	(49,408)	18.7%
Securities	1,549,398	1,985,237	28.1%
Shareholders' equity	499,321	580,414	16.2%
Income Statement Data:			
Interest income	\$ 236,244	\$ 283,229	19.9%
Interest expense	45,725	56,677	24.0%
Net interest income	190,519	226,552	18.9%
Provision for loan losses	11,850	10,212	-13.8%
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	178,669	216,340	21.1%
Noninterest income	83,209	96,505	16.0%
Noninterest expenses	173,742	216,611	24.7%
Income before income taxes	88,136	96,234	9.2%
Provision for income taxes	27,407	27,691	1.0%
Net Income	\$ 60,729	\$ 68,543	12.9%
Per Share Data:			
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.99	11.2%
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.97	11.5%
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.12	140.0%
Book value per common share at period end	\$ 7.30	\$ 8.28	13.4%
Selected Performance Ratios:			
Return on average assets	1.14%	1.05%	
Return on average common shareholders' equity	12.86%	12.86%	
Tier I capital to adjusted average assets	9.15%	7.81%	
Taxable-equivalent net interest margin	4.04%	3.99%	
Efficiency ratio	63.26%	65.52%	
Asset Quality Data:			
Nonperforming assets to total loans & ORE	0.49%	0.55%	
Net charge-offs to average loans	0.22%	0.15%	
Allowance for credit losses to total loans	1.23%	1.11%	
Allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans	326.57%	304.50%	

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS: Certain of the matters discussed in this annual report may constitute forward-looking statements for the purposes of the federal securities laws, and as such may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc., to be materially different from future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Additional information concerning factors that could cause actual results to materially differ from those in the forward-looking statements can be found in Item 7 of our 2004 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All forward-looking statements are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements. This annual report may contain certain non-GAAP financial measures as defined by Securities and Exchange Commission rules.



Capital Markets

From accessing global capital markets to managing retirement plans, customers find the answers and innovation they seek through Amegy Bank and Amegy Investments. Our knowledgeable, experienced bankers partner with individual and business customers to tailor solutions for complex financial issues.

- Brokerage Services
 - Equities
 - Fixed Income
 - Mutual Funds
 - Annuities
 - Financial Planning
- Retirement Plan Services
 - Plan Design and Implementation
 - Participant Education and Ongoing Support
 - 401(K), Profit Sharing, Pension
 - SEP-IRA, Simple IRA
 - Individual IRAs and IRA Rollovers
- · Foreign Exchange
 - Currency Transactions
 - Currency Risk Management Strategies
- Institutional Sales
 - Short-Term Corporate Fixed-Income Investments
 - Laddered Maturity Portfolios for Corporate Cash
 - · Loan Participations
 - Eurodollar Time Deposits
- Institutional Custody and Securities Services
 - Institutional Custody and Clearance
 - · Escrow Services
 - Public Fund Services

Wealth Management, Private Banking and Trust

Driven by the customer's needs and goals, we create comprehensive wealth management solutions for each individual. The combination of our experienced professionals and the resources in Private Banking, Investment Services and the Trust Departments ensure that we develop long-term relationships built on ability, listening, service and trust.

- Private Banking
 - · Customized Loan Products
 - Deposit Products
 - Mortgages and Construction Loans
- Trust
 - Trust Administration
 - · Estate Administration
 - Real Estate, Oil and Gas Management
 - Custody
 - IRAs and IRA Rollovers
 - Will Appointments
- Discretionary Investment Management
 - Trustee or Agency
 - Sub-Adviser Selection Process
 - Asset Allocation
 - Managed Accounts
 - · Monitoring and Reporting

Personal Banking

Serving the Houston and Dallas marketplace with over 75 retail banking centers, a strong ATM network and round-the-clock Internet capabilities, Amegy Bank offers access to a diverse range of products and services that meet our customers' current and future financial needs. The value Amegy Bank places on each customer, and the personal attention each customer receives, make us unique in the industry.

- Totally Free Checking
- Savings Accounts
- · Certificates of Deposit
- Insured Money Market Accounts
- Investment Services
- Loans
 - Residential Mortgage
 - · Home Equity
 - Home Equity Line of Credit
 - · Home Improvement
 - Auto
 - Boat
 - RV
- · Internet Banking
 - bank@home
 - billp@y
 - e-statements
- · Credit Cards
- Visa Check Card
 - Dining Discount Program
- ATMs

Amegy Mortgage

Amegy Mortgage, formerly Mitchell Mortgage, offers a full complement of services, including origination and servicing of single-family residential loans, single-family construction loans, and commercial and multifamily real estate loans. Amegy Mortgage, a subsidiary of Amegy Bank, is unique in that it offers loan products by participating as a direct portfolio lender, mortgage banker or mortgage broker, depending on the needs of the customer and the nature of the transaction.

- · Residential Real Estate Loans
 - Home Loans (Purchase and Refinance)
 - Lot Loans
 - One-Time Close Loans
- Construction Loans
 - Individuals (Interim and Co-Borrower/Builder)
 - Builders
- Commercial Real Estate Loans (Acquisition, Refinance and Construction)
 - Multifamily
 - Retail
 - Industrial
 - Office
 - Hospitality
 - Self-Storage
 - Land Development
 - Raw Land
- Loan Administration
 - Single Family
 - Commercial









Community and Not-For-Profit Banking

Amegy Bank is a leader in banking and a leader in caring. With a leadership commitment on both fronts, Amegy actively seeks opportunities to be involved and to invest. We consistently provide the vision; financial fuel; sweat equity; creative partnerships; and the heart to transform, rebuild, and strengthen the communities we serve in Texas.

- Banking Solutions, including Loans for:
 - Churches
 - Faith-Based Organizations
 - Schools
 - · Home Ownership
 - · Community Development
 - Social Service Organizations
 - Cultural Arts
 - Public/Government Entities
- Services Offered:
 - Lines of Credit and Term Lending
 - Construction and Term Real Estate Loans
 - Tax Credit Financing
 - Tax-Exempt Loans
 - Tax-Exempt Bonds
 - Treasury Management/Depository Services
 - Investment Management
 - Financial Services Education
 - Contributions
 - Volunteers

Commercial Banking

With a focus on the individual needs of each customer, Amegy has distinguished itself as the Bank for businesses in Texas. With a legal lending limit of \$100 million, we are large enough to deliver the capital, technology, products and services that companies require to grow and succeed, and small enough to deliver individual attention and local decision makers.

- Loans
 - Working Capital Lines of Credit
 - Equipment Financing
 - Acquisition Financing
 - Small Business Administration
- Syndicated Loans
- Commercial Real Estate Financing
 - Construction Loans
 - Mini-Perms
 - Commercial Mortgage Brokerage
- Treasury Management
- Small Business Banking
 - Online Banking
 - · Small Business Loans
 - · Lines of Credit
 - · Free Small Business Checking
- Correspondent Banking
- Energy Banking
- · Equipment Leasing and Financing
- Accounts Receivable Factoring
- Merchant Services
- o Corporate Credit Cards

Treasury Management

Amegy Bank offers a solid suite of treasury solutions for our clients, leveraging the Internet, imaging, and creativity. From simple to complex cash management challenges, our Treasury team will listen, understand, and ensure that your company has the right tools to maximize its cash goals and objectives. With our experience in public funds, non-profit, large corporate and small to mid-sized companies, our solutions address a varied spectrum of cash and process improvement opportunities.

- Wholesale and Retail Lockbox
 - IDEAL Image Data Extraction Archive Lockbox
 - Lockbox Web Delivery
- NetST@R Internet Products
 - · Information Reporting
 - Automated Clearinghouse
 - Electronic Funds Transfer Payment System/Tax Payments
 - · Positive Pay Advantage
 - Controlled Disbursement
 - EDI Translation
 - Image Check CD-ROM
 - · Image e-statements
 - Account Sweeps
 - Vault Services
 - Collection/Draft Services
 - Merchant Services
 - · Amegy Payroll Card
- eBusiness
 - Secure Web Hosting
 - Online Payments by Check or Credit Card

International Banking

Amegy's team of experienced professionals understands the complexities of the global marketplace and knows how important it is for businesses to compete effectively in this 24/7, international arena. We put the full force of our resources, products, services and technology to work for customers conducting business across the globe.

- Letters of Credit
 - Import and Export Letters of Credit
 - Standby Letters of Credit
 - · Bid/Performance Bonds
 - Internet-Based Issuance and Reporting
 - Negotiation of Export Letters of Credit
 - Internet-Based Document Presentation
- Trade Cycle Working Capital Loans
- Delegated Export/Import Bank
 Lender
- Term Financing for Exports
- Foreign Exchange
- International Private Banking
 - Customized Bilingual Services
 - International Client Investment Plans
- International Correspondent Banking
 - Confirmation of Letters of Credit
 - Wires Worldwide
- Trade Services
 - · Documentary Collections
 - Bankers Acceptances

Nothing is more rewarding than doing positive things for the people who do positive things for our communities.

How do you expand a bank's reach deeper and wider into the community?

Answer: "We actively seek community development opportunities, we're quick to respond, and we want to help you <u>now</u>." That's the message carried by Community Banker Brian Stoker. "It's about putting our resources behind a vision of economic development and affordable housing, and working with our partners in the community to make it happen."

And there are great partners like Thom Schneider. His company, Green Caye Enterprises, builds single-family homes in Dickinson, Texas, and works closely with low to moderate-income families in the home ownership process. Buyers often look to the Bank for programs that help with closing costs and down payment assistance. Schneider looks to the Bank as a partner for growth. "I can present my proposal in Dickinson, go do my job in the field and know my banker will take care of me. I get that local bank feel with a big bank's productivity and backing."

Non-profit organizations are supported by that combination as well. "We understand their unique financial situations and have the ability to look at transactions for any non-profit from their perspective," says John Kelley, who specializes in providing financial resources and services for organizations that provide education, healthcare, religion and economic development for our communities.

For example, when it was time for The Emery/Weiner School to build a new campus, the Bank provided the financing – and more. "They've helped us raise money, invest money, manage treasury accounts, deal with bond issues and watch costs," says Vicki Atkins, Business Manager and Chief Financial Officer. "I know the name of each person in our banking relationship. They participate with us and are part of our growth."

Getting involved makes you better bankers and better able to serve diverse markets, believes John Hernandez, Community Banker. "We're big on sweat equity; our employees invest over 10,000 hours annually volunteering and serving on boards." In addition, the Bank's Annual Community Leadership Conference attracts hundreds and provides information on topics including church financing, helping small businesses and developing affordable housing.

"We get to play a key role in some great success stories," says Kelley. "When you see the first graduating class at The Emery/Weiner School, or hear a young woman talk about her success at Stanford and credit a school you helped to build, it's a very rewarding moment. We're lucky to get many of these moments."

The Bank offers features for a non-profit that are very helpful on a day-to-day basis.

Stuart Dow, Head of School, The Emery/Weiner School





Because one size does not fit all, you create solutions others cannot even imagine.

How do you tailor products and technology to serve the evolving needs and goals of growing companies?

Answer: "We listen to our customers to understand how their businesses operate, and then we marry together a treasury system of products that will bring the biggest value to them," says Treasury Management Leader Debbie Innes. "When the system is developed and put into place, they can operate their business more cost effectively and make more money, and not borrow or spend money needlessly, and they can grow more efficiently."

The Bank has developed some particularly innovative systems for the medical industry. "We developed a system that St. Luke's Episcopal Health System uses to provide daily images of patient payments, insurance explanation of benefits, and the amount the insurance company is paying," explains Chris Cyprien, Product Manager. "This information gets uploaded on St. Luke's system, eliminating the need for them to do any imaging or hunt for paper."

"This system is the answer to, 'What would be ideal?'" says Howard Schramm, Chief Financial Officer, St. Luke's Episcopal Health System. "It's everything we needed – technology that takes us quickly and easily to an individual patient's record and shows us everything we need to know. It's hard to imagine a bank that would tailor its products for us and back them up with outstanding service."

Feedback from Treasury Management customers convinced Hilcorp Energy Company to make a change. "We already had an excellent commercial relationship with the Bank, so we decided to build on it," says Richard Doleshek, Chief Financial Officer. "We talked to other companies who use the Bank, and they all had marvelous, glowing things to say about the service and how the products work."

"We're excited about our new relationships and cherish the ones who have grown with us," says Treasury Management Banker Myra Caldwell. "We work with everyone from Fortune 500 companies to small businesses, to non-profits such as schools and churches."

What is especially valuable to all customers is the Bank's use of the Internet. "We've been on the Internet and an image-based financial institution since 1999," explains Innes. "We look at the customer's need from a consulting perspective – not a product perspective – to achieve the results the customer needs."

The Bank's unique ability to deliver time after time is a direct reflection of its willingness and commitment to put in the time to understand our industry and the specific needs of our hospital.

Howard Schramm, CFO, St. Luke's Episcopal Health System



You have to focus on the companies that drive the economy.

What should a business expect from a bank?

Answer: For Tom Tucker, it's speed, ideas and an interest in his business. Tucker's company, Graco Awards, is the leading manufacturer of medals and service ribbons for the United States armed forces, and the manufacturer of the Medal of Honor.

"When I was looking at banks to help me acquire Graco, I chose this one because it was aggressive," he explains. "They came to the table with a Small Business Administration loan package faster than anyone else, and their proposal made a lot of sense."

"We are committed to growing and serving Texas businesses," says Seth Barron, Community Banker. "It's about understanding what the customer wants to achieve and putting the right pieces in place to get them results."

Growth is an important part of these companies' stories. "We've grown very rapidly since starting our company in 2002, and the Bank has been right by our side," says Rocio Jasso, Vice President, Majority Owner, ABC Professional Tree Services. "It makes a big difference when your banker is interested in learning about your business and is clearly eager to help you."

The Bank is placing even more bankers on the ground throughout the community. "We'll bring everything this Bank offers closer to these businesses and have all our product specialists in the region working together on their behalf," says Executive Vice President, Houston Regional Banking Leader Steve Stephens. "It's about banking the way we know it should be, and the way we know how to do it."

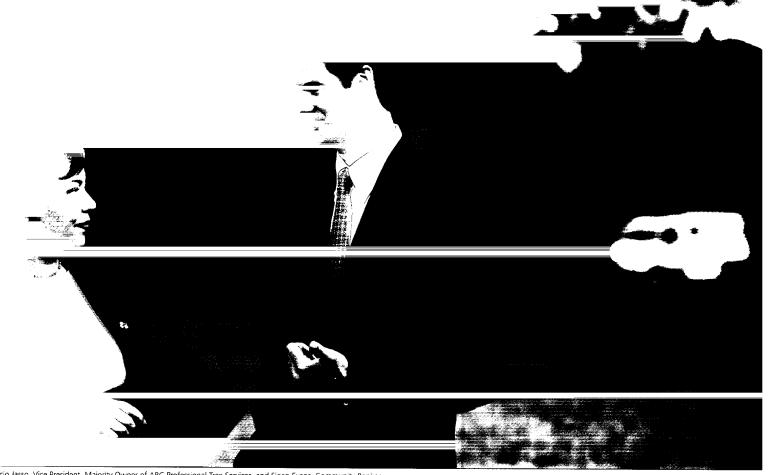
In a number of cases, that might mean looking at a financing package that utilizes a Small Business Administration loan. "Many of our companies have succeeded because we were attuned to putting together the best sources of capital available, including using the resources of the SBA," explains John Runge, who heads the Bank's SBA Lending. "It is rewarding to see these companies outgrow our program...that means they are creating jobs and realizing their own dreams."

While the Bank is growing, so is its desire to stay close to the community. "We will always keep that local spirit, which is simply that every customer who walks in our doors is important," says Sloan Evans, Community Banker. "We will never be too big or outgrow what's most important to our customers – using common sense and getting results."

The Bank's ideas are unique.

On top of that, the infrastructure is in place to make things happen.

Tom Tucker, Owner, Graco Awards



•ave Rocio Jasso, Vice President, Majority Owner of ABC Professional Tree Services, and Sloan Evans, Community Banker •aw Tom Tucker, Owner of Graco Awards, and Community Banker Seth Barron



The biggest compliment a bank can receive is when a customer refers a friend.

What does it take to build long-ferm relationships that span generations?

Answer: "You have to be there for your clients, and I believe we do a better job of this than anyone else," says Barbara Vilutis of the Wealth Management team. "The difference is in how we treat people and make them feel. We listen to their whole story, we bring everything they need together under one roof, and we surround each customer with a handpicked, deeply experienced team of bankers."

Recently, when a business owner was thinking about selling the family company, his commercial banker immediately tapped into the expertise of the Bank's Wealth Management group. By coming in so early in the process, these bankers were able to help the customer and his advisory team structure the sale in the most tax-effective manner. The sale led to a new, multigenerational relationship with the family when the Bank was asked to provide investment management and personal trust services.

"We're truly driven by what the client needs," says Manager of Personal Trust Debbie Gibson. "When clients told us they were tired of having products pushed at them by the big banks and brokerage houses, we listened. So we don't have any proprietary products, which places us on the same side of the table as our clients. We went out and found third-party investment managers with national reputations built on their performance records. By doing this, we have created a stable of managers across the equity and fixed-income spectrum. Now, we bring this talent to the table for our clients."

"And we stay at the table with them," says Robert Heintz, Chief Investment Officer, who leads the investments team. "What you often find in organizations is the higher level the banker, the farther he or she gets from clients. We want to stay close – and that's what we do. When you have been given the opportunity to work with a family to help them manage all their assets, including their real estate and oil and gas investments and partnership interests, they deserve nothing less."

"Our clients expect us to see the whole picture, not just one piece of the puzzle," says Hank Holmes, Manager of Private Banking. "We go beyond loans and deposits. We find the best possible way to help clients achieve their financial goals."

Our team has an average of 25 years' experience working with high-net-worth individuals, and we have the credibility that comes only from results.

Barbara Vilutis, Wealth Management, Amegy Bank

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004

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TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number: 000-22007

Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

76-0519693

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4400 Post Oak Parkway Houston, Texas 77027

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including zip code)

(713) 235-8800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: Common Stock, \$1.00 par value (Title of Class)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \square No \square

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act.) Yes \square No \square

The aggregate market value of the Registrant's Common Stock held by non-affiliates was approximately \$1.42 billion (based upon the closing price of \$22.06 on June 30, 2004, as reported on the NASDAQ National Market System).

There were 70,143,246 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock outstanding as of the close of business on March 9, 2005.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Registrant's Proxy Statement relating to the 2005 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which will be filed within 120 days after December 31, 2004, are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report.

Item 1. Business

The disclosures set forth in this item are qualified by the section captioned "Special Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-Looking Statements — Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of this report and other cautionary statements set forth elsewhere in this report.

The Company

General. Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc. ("the Company") was incorporated as a business corporation under the laws of the State of Texas on March 28, 1996, for the purpose of serving as a bank holding company for Southwest Bank of Texas National Association ("the Bank"). The holding company formation was consummated and the Company acquired all of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Bank as of the close of business on June 30, 1996. Based upon total assets as of December 31, 2004, the Company ranks as the largest independent bank holding company headquartered in the Houston metropolitan area.

The Company's headquarters are located at 4400 Post Oak Parkway, Houston, Texas 77027, and its telephone number is (713) 235-8800. The Company's internet address is www.amegybank.com.

The Company makes available through its website, free of charge, its annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports as soon as reasonably practicable after filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The Company has adopted a Code of Conduct and Ethics that applies to all employees and directors of the Bank and the Company. This document is available on the Company's website. The information included on the Company's website is not a part of this document.

Business Strategy. The Company's vision is to grow and prosper through the building of long-term customer relationships by providing exceptional levels of customer service in an environment founded on high ethical standards and the generation of safe and sound assets. The Company operates as a locally oriented, community-based banking company with local and regional business advisory boards to assist it in meeting the financial needs of the communities it serves. Certain services are provided on a centralized basis in selected critical areas.

The Company offers commercial and consumer banking services, as well as trust and investment management, treasury management, brokerage, leasing, factoring, and item processing services, primarily in the greater Houston and Dallas-Fort Worth markets. These services are provided to small, middle market, and larger corporate businesses, private banking individuals, and retail consumers in the Houston metropolitan area through its 72 full service banking facilities and in the Dallas-Fort Worth market through its five full service banking facilities.

The Company offers an array of sophisticated deposit, lending, and treasury management products typically found only in major regional banks. Several banking locations have seasoned management with significant lending experience who are responsible for credit and pricing decisions, subject to loan committee approval for larger credits. This decentralized relationship management approach, coupled with the continuity of service by its banking officers, enables the Company to develop long-term customer relationships, maintain high quality service, and provide quick responses to customer needs. The Company believes that its emphasis on local relationship banking, together with its conservative approach to lending and resultant strong asset quality, are important factors in the success and the growth of the Company.

The Company seeks credit opportunities of good quality within its target markets that exhibit positive historical trends, stable cash flows, and secondary sources of repayment from tangible collateral. The Company extends credit for the purpose of obtaining and continuing long-term relationships. Lenders are provided with detailed underwriting policies for all types of credit risks accepted by the Company and must

obtain appropriate approvals for credit extensions in excess of conservatively assigned individual lending limits. The Company also maintains strict documentation requirements and extensive credit quality assurance practices in order to identify credit portfolio weaknesses as early as possible so any exposures that are discovered might be reduced.

The Company has a three-part strategy for growth. First, the Company focuses on internally generated growth through its existing branch network, building on its strong sales culture. The Company actively seeks retail consumer deposits, loan, and fee income generating relationships through its branch network and through the use of direct mail solicitations. In addition, the Company continues to actively target the commercial customers considered or defined as "middle market," as well as the small business and the large corporate customers headquartered primarily in the Houston and Dallas-Fort Worth markets as well as in the other major metropolitan markets in the State of Texas. The "middle market" commercial customer is generally characterized as a company having annual revenues ranging from \$1 million to \$500 million and borrowings ranging from \$50,000 to \$15 million. Typical middle market customers seek a relationship with a local independent bank that is sensitive to their needs and understands their business philosophy. These customers desire a long-term relationship with a decision-making loan officer who is responsive and experienced and has ready access to a bank's senior management. The Company also provides services to private banking clients including mortgage products, depository relationships, and trust and investment management services. The Company employs incentive compensation programs to promote and reward successful cross-selling activities among its relationship officers and product groups.

Second, the Company establishes branches in areas that demographically complement its existing or targeted customer base. As other local banks are acquired by out-of-state organizations, the Company believes that the establishment of branches will better meet the needs of customers in many Houston and Dallas area neighborhoods who feel disenfranchised by larger regional or national organizations.

Third, the Company pursues selected acquisitions of other financial institutions. The Company conducts thorough studies and reviews of potential acquisition candidates to assure that they are consistent with the Company's existing goals, from both an economic and strategic perspective. The Company believes market and regulatory factors may present opportunities for the Company to acquire other financial institutions.

The Company's mergers and acquisitions are listed in the following table:

Acquired Entity	Acquisition Date	Total Assets at Acquisition Date	Total Loans at Acquisition Date	Total Deposits at Acquisition Date
Pinemont Bank ⁽¹⁾	August 1, 1997	\$235.3 million	\$137.0 million	\$219.0 million
Fort Bend Holding Corp. (1)	April 1, 1999	\$315.8 million	\$192.0 million	\$268.8 million
Citizens Bankers, Inc. (1)	December 29, 2000	\$436.2 million	\$133.1 million	\$381.0 million
Maxim Financial Holdings, Inc	July 1, 2003	\$348.8 million	\$105.0 million	\$241.5 million
Reunion Bancshares, Inc Klein Bancshares, Inc	January 31, 2004 October 1, 2004	\$261.5 million \$713.1 million	\$162.8 million \$168.7 million	\$207.1 million \$535.0 million
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⁽¹⁾ Accounted for using the pooling-of-interests method.

See "Note 2 — Merger Related Activity" for more information regarding recent mergers and acquisitions.

Name Change

On March 7, 2005, the Bank changed its name to Amegy Bank National Association. The Bank's subsidiary, Mitchell Mortgage Company, L.L.C, changed its name to Amegy Mortgage Company, L.L.C. ("Amegy Mortgage") on the same date. Subject to shareholders' approval at the annual meeting on May 4, 2005, the name of the Company will change to Amegy Bancorporation, Inc. The Bank elected to change its name to enable its marketing and relationship officers and subsidiaries to market its products and services using one brand throughout the State of Texas. Accordingly, the Bank has designed an aggressive advertising

campaign to introduce the name to its customers and marketplace, focusing on the tagline "The 'A' Bank." The costs associated with the name change are estimated to be \$6 million. The Company's stock ticker symbol changed to "ABNK" effective March 7, 2005.

Operating Segments

The Company has two operating segments: the Bank and the mortgage company. Each segment is managed separately because each business requires different marketing strategies and each offers different products and services.

The Bank

The Bank provides a complete range of retail and commercial banking services that compete directly with major regional and money center banks. Loans consist of commercial loans to small, middle market, and large corporate businesses, loans to individuals, commercial real estate loans, residential mortgages, and construction loans. In addition, the Bank offers a broad array of fee income products including customized cash management services, investment and capital market products and services, trust and private banking services, accounts receivable financing, letters of credit, and merchant card services. The Bank develops business through, among other things, an active calling program by both product specialists and lenders. Approximately 225 banking officers actively call on customers and prospects.

The Bank maintains a staff of professional treasury management marketing officers who consult with middle market and large corporate market companies to design customized and cost-effective cash management solutions. The Bank offers a full product line of cash concentration, disbursement, and information reporting services and a full suite of Internet imaging products superior to those offered by most regional banks. Through the continued investment in new technology and people, the Bank has attracted some of Houston's largest middle market companies to utilize the Bank's treasury management products. The Bank also has attracted new loan customers through use of the Bank's treasury management services as a lead-in with products such as an image-based lockbox service and controlled disbursement and sweep products, which allow borrowers to minimize interest expense and earn interest income on excess operating funds. Through the use of an internet connection, the Bank's NetSt@r system provides customers with instant access to all bank account information with multiple intraday updates. The Bank makes business communication more efficient through Electronic Data Interchange ("EDI"), which is an inter-organizational computer-to-computer exchange of business information in a standard computer-processable format. Through the use of EDI and electronic payments, the Bank can provide the customer with a paperless funds management system. Positive Pay Advantage, a service under which the Bank only pays checks listed on a legitimate "company issue" file, is another product which helps in the prevention of check fraud. The Bank's average commercial customer uses six treasury management services. Because these services help customers improve their treasury operations and achieve new efficiencies in cash management, they are extremely useful in building and maintaining longterm relationships.

The Bank has a retail presence in 72 locations throughout the Houston metropolitan area and 5 locations in Dallas. These branch locations are an important source of bank funding and fee income. Retail products consist of both traditional deposit accounts such as checking, savings, money market, and certificates of deposit, and a wide array of consumer loan and electronic banking alternatives. The Bank continues to emphasize the cultivation of retail market opportunities and investment in retail staff to help expand and deepen customer relationships.

The Bank maintains a strong community orientation by, among other things, supporting active participation of all employees in local charitable, civic, school, and church activities. The Bank has a variety of community outreach programs and is involved in supporting non-profit organizations in a number of ways. Several banking offices also appoint selected customers to a business development board that assists in introducing prospective customers to the Bank and in developing or modifying products and services to better meet customer needs.

The Mortgage Company

The Company originates residential and commercial mortgage loans both for its own portfolio and to sell to investors with servicing rights retained through its ownership of Amegy Mortgage. Amegy Mortgage also purchases mortgage servicing rights, promotes residential and commercial construction financing to builders and developers, and acts as a broker in the origination of multi-family and commercial real estate loans. Amegy Mortgage has production offices in Fort Bend and Montgomery Counties, Texas and, as a result of the January 31, 2004 merger with Reunion Bancshares, Inc. ("Reunion"), in Dallas, Texas. Amegy Mortgage's corporate offices are located in The Woodlands, Texas.

Amegy Mortgage is an approved seller/servicer for Federal National Mortgage Association ("FNMA") and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("FHLMC") and an approved issuer of Government National Mortgage Association ("GNMA") mortgage-backed securities. Amegy Mortgage is also a HUD-Approved Title II nonsupervised mortgagee. During 2004, Amegy Mortgage funded approximately \$278.8 million in residential mortgage loans, \$188.5 million in commercial real estate loans, and \$193.0 million in residential and commercial construction loans.

Competition

The banking business is highly competitive and the profitability of the Company depends principally upon the Company's ability to compete in its market area. The Company competes with other commercial and savings banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions, finance companies, mutual funds, insurance companies, brokerage and investment banking firms, asset-based non-bank lenders, and certain other non-financial institutions, including certain governmental organizations which may offer subsidized financing at lower rates than those offered by the Company. The Company has been able to compete effectively with other financial institutions by emphasizing technology and customer service, including local office decision-making on loans, establishing long-term customer relationships and building customer loyalty, and providing products and services designed to address the specific needs of its customers. Total bank deposits in the Houston area were approximately \$74 billion and deposits in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex totaled approximately \$84 billion as of June 30, 2004.

Employees

As of December 31, 2004, the Company had 2,126 full-time equivalent employees, 756 of whom were officers. Employees of the Company enjoy a variety of employee benefit programs, including a stock option plan, a restricted stock plan, a 401(k) plan, various comprehensive medical, accident and group life insurance plans, and paid vacations. The Company considers its relations with its employees to be excellent.

Economic Conditions

The Company's success is dependent to a significant degree on economic conditions in the eight-county region comprising the Houston metropolitan area, which the Company defines as its primary market. The banking industry in Texas and in Houston is affected by general economic conditions including the effects of inflation, recession, unemployment, real estate values, energy prices, trends in the national and global economies, and other factors beyond the Company's control. During the mid-1980's, severely depressed oil and gas prices and levels of activity in the energy industries materially and adversely affected the Texas and Houston economies, causing recession and unemployment in the region and resulting in excess vacancies in the Houston real estate market and elsewhere in the State. Since 1987, however, the Houston metropolitan economy has gained nearly 730,000 jobs, averaging an annual growth rate of 2.6%. Houston is currently the corporate headquarters for 20 Fortune 500 companies. The job count at December 31, 2004 is estimated to be 2.14 million, which is more than the states of Alabama, Louisiana, South Carolina or Kentucky. In 2004, Houston registered a net gain of 38,600 jobs, or 1.7 percent job growth, which outperformed Texas and all of the state's major metropolitan areas. Job growth for 2005 is forecasted to be 39,000, or 1.8 percent.

On January 31, 2004, the Company expanded its branch presence in Texas into the Dallas-Fort Worth market with the merger with Reunion. The Dallas-Fort Worth market represents a significant growth

opportunity as it is estimated that two-thirds of the economic activity in Texas is accounted for by the markets in Houston and the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. These two markets represent approximately \$177 billion in bank deposits. The Dallas-Fort Worth economy is driven by the distribution, transportation, and telecom industries and is the corporate headquarters for 19 Fortune 500 companies. At year-end, the Dallas-Fort Worth area had 5.8 million residents and a job base of approximately 2.4 million jobs. Job growth for 2004 was 0.9 percent and is anticipated to increase by 2 percent for 2005.

Since 1987, the Houston area economy has diversified from being primarily energy dependent to one that is now influenced by national and global economic trends as well as activity in the energy industries. The energy independent sectors of the Houston area economy have grown at an annual compounded rate of 5.9% since 1981. As a result, it is estimated that the upstream sector of the energy industry now accounts for approximately 31% of economic activity, down from 69% in 1981. Nonetheless, an economic recession or a delayed recovery over a prolonged period of time in the Houston area could cause an increase in the level of the Company's nonperforming assets and loan losses, thereby causing operating losses, impairing liquidity and eroding capital. There can be no assurance that future adverse changes in the local economy would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows.

Supervision and Regulation

The federal banking laws contain numerous provisions affecting various aspects of the business and operations of the Bank and the Company. The following descriptions of and references herein to applicable statutes and regulations, which are not intended to be complete descriptions of these provisions or their effects on the Company or the Bank, are summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such statutes and regulations.

The Bank

As a national banking association, the Bank is principally supervised, examined and regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the "OCC"). The OCC regularly examines such areas as capital adequacy, reserves, loan portfolio, investments, and management practices. The Bank is currently a participant in the OCC's "midsize" bank program. This program supplies the Bank with a full time examiner-in-charge that oversees a continuous examination process. The OCC may exercise cease and desist and other enforcement powers over the Bank if its actions represent unsafe or unsound practices or violations of law. Since the deposits of the Bank are insured by the Bank Insurance Fund ("BIF") of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC"), the Bank is also subject to regulation and supervision by the FDIC. Because the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve Board") regulates the Company, and because the Bank is a member of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Reserve Board also has regulatory authority that affects the Bank.

Restrictions on Transactions with Affiliates and Insiders. The Bank is subject to certain federal statutes limiting transactions between the Company and its nonbanking affiliates. Loans or other credit extensions to, asset purchases from and investments in affiliates of the Bank, meaning the Company or any of its nonbanking subsidiaries, are limited individually in amount to 10 percent of the Bank's capital and surplus and, with respect to the Company and all of its nonbanking subsidiaries together, to an aggregate of 20 percent of the Bank's capital and surplus. Furthermore, such loans and extensions of credit, as well as certain other transactions, are required to be collateralized in specified amounts.

In addition, certain transactions between the Bank and its affiliates must be on terms substantially the same, or at least as favorable to the Bank, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with or involving other nonaffiliated persons. In the absence of such comparable transactions, any transaction between the Bank and its affiliates must be on terms and under circumstances, including credit standards, that in good faith would be offered to or would apply to nonaffiliated persons.

The restrictions on loans to directors, executive officers, principal shareholders and their related interests (collectively referred to herein as "insiders") contained in the Federal Reserve Act and Regulation O apply to

all insured institutions and to the insiders of the institution's affiliates. These restrictions include limits on loan amounts to one borrower and their related interests, and conditions that must be met before such loans can be made. There is also an aggregate limitation on all loans to insiders and their related interests. These loans cannot exceed the institution's total unimpaired capital and surplus, and the OCC may determine that a lesser amount is appropriate. Insiders are subject to enforcement actions for knowingly accepting loans in violation of applicable restrictions.

Examinations. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 ("FDICIA"), revised the bank regulatory and funding provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Act and made revisions to several other banking statutes. Under FDICIA, all insured institutions must undergo regular on-site examination by their appropriate banking agency and such agency may assess the institution for its costs of conducting the examination. The OCC periodically examines and evaluates national banks. Based upon such an evaluation, the OCC may revalue the assets of a national bank and require that it establish specific reserves to compensate for the difference between the OCC-determined value and the book value of such assets. The Bank is currently a participant in the OCC's "midsize" bank program. This program supplies the Bank with a full time examiner-in-charge that oversees a continuous examination process.

Prompt Corrective Action. In addition to the capital adequacy guidelines, FDICIA requires the OCC to take "prompt corrective action" with respect to any national bank which does not meet specified minimum capital requirements. The applicable regulations establish five capital levels, ranging from "well capitalized" to "critically undercapitalized," which authorize, and in certain cases require, the OCC to take certain specified supervisory action. Under regulations implemented under FDICIA, a national bank is considered well capitalized if it has a total risk-based capital ratio of 10.0% or greater, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of 6.0% or greater, and a leverage ratio of 5.0% or greater, and it is not subject to an order, written agreement, capital directive, or prompt corrective action directive to meet and maintain a specific capital level for any capital measure. A national bank is considered adequately capitalized if it has a total risk-based capital ratio of 8.0% or greater, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of at least 4.0% and a leverage capital ratio of 4.0% or greater (or a leverage ratio of 3.0% or greater if the institution is rated composite 1 in its most recent report of examination, subject to appropriate federal banking agency guidelines), and the institution does not meet the definition of an undercapitalized institution. A national bank is considered undercapitalized if it has a total risk-based capital ratio that is less than 8.0%, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio that is less than 4.0%, or a leverage ratio that is less than 4.0% (or a leverage ratio that is less than 3.0% if the institution is rated composite 1 in its most recent report of examination, subject to appropriate federal banking agency guidelines). A significantly undercapitalized institution is one which has a total risk-based capital ratio that is less than 6.0%, a Tier 1 riskbased capital ratio that is less than 3.0%, or a leverage ratio that is less than 3.0%. A critically undercapitalized institution is one which has a ratio of tangible equity to total assets that is equal to or less than 2.0%. Under certain circumstances, a well capitalized, adequately capitalized or undercapitalized institution may be treated as if the institution were in the next lower capital category.

With certain exceptions, national banks will be prohibited from making capital distributions or paying management fees to a holding company if the payment of such distributions or fees will cause them to become undercapitalized. Furthermore, undercapitalized national banks will be required to file capital restoration plans with the OCC. Such a plan will not be accepted unless, among other things, the banking institution's holding company guarantees the plan up to a certain specified amount. Any such guarantee from a depository institution's holding company is entitled to a priority of payment in bankruptcy. Undercapitalized national banks also will be subject to restrictions on growth, acquisitions, branching and engaging in new lines of business unless they have an approved capital plan that permits otherwise. The OCC also may, among other things, require an undercapitalized national bank to issue shares or obligations, which could be voting stock, to recapitalize the institution or, under certain circumstances, to divest itself of any subsidiary.

The federal banking agencies are authorized by FDICIA to take various enforcement actions against any significantly undercapitalized national bank, any bank holding company owning such bank, and any national bank that fails to submit an acceptable capital restoration plan or fails to implement a plan accepted by the OCC. These powers include, among other things, requiring the institution to be recapitalized, prohibiting asset growth, restricting interest rates paid, requiring prior approval of capital distributions by any bank holding

company which controls the institution, requiring divestiture by the institution of its subsidiaries or by the holding company of the institution itself, requiring new election of directors, and requiring the dismissal of directors and officers.

Significantly and critically undercapitalized national banks may be subject to more extensive control and supervision. The OCC may prohibit any such institution from, among other things, entering into any material transaction not in the ordinary course of business, amending its charter or bylaws, or engaging in certain transactions with affiliates. In addition, critically undercapitalized institutions generally will be prohibited from making payments of principal or interest on outstanding subordinated debt. Within 90 days of a national bank becoming critically undercapitalized, the OCC must appoint a receiver or conservator unless certain findings are made with respect to the prospect for the institution's continued viability.

As of December 31, 2004, the Bank met the capital requirements of a "well capitalized" institution.

Dividends. There are certain statutory limitations on the payment of dividends by national banks. Without approval of the OCC, dividends may not be paid by the Bank in an amount in any calendar year which exceeds the Bank's total net income for that year, plus its retained earnings for the preceding two years, less any required transfers to capital surplus. In addition, a national bank may not pay dividends in excess of total retained profits, including current year's earnings after deducting bad debts in excess of reserves for losses. In some cases, the OCC may find a dividend payment that meets these statutory requirements to be an unsafe or unsound practice. Under FDICIA, the Bank cannot pay a dividend if it will cause the Bank to be undercapitalized.

FDIC Insurance Assessments

The FDIC has adopted a risk-based assessment system for insured depository institutions that takes into account the risks attributable to different categories and concentrations of assets and liabilities. The risk-based system assigns an institution to one of three capital categories: (i) well-capitalized, (ii) adequately capitalized, or (iii) undercapitalized. These three categories are substantially similar to the prompt corrective action categories, with the "undercapitalized" category including institutions that are undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized, and critically undercapitalized for prompt corrective action purposes. An institution is also assigned by the FDIC to one of three supervisory subgroups within each capital group. The supervisory subgroup to which an institution is assigned is based on an evaluation provided to the FDIC by the institution's primary federal regulator and information which the FDIC determines to be relevant to the institution's financial condition and the risk posed to the deposit insurance funds. The supervisory subgroup to which an institution is assigned by the FDIC is confidential and may not be disclosed. An institution's insurance assessment rate is then determined based on the capital category and supervisory category to which it is assigned.

Under the risk-based assessment system there are nine assessment risk classifications (i.e., combinations of capital groups and supervisory subgroups) to which different assessment rates are applied. Assessment rates for deposit insurance currently range from zero basis points to 27 basis points. A bank's rate of deposit insurance assessments will depend on the category and subcategory to which the bank is assigned by the FDIC. Any increase in insurance assessments could have an adverse effect on the earnings of insured institutions, including the Bank.

Insurance of deposits may be terminated by the FDIC upon a finding that the institution has engaged in unsafe and unsound practices, is in an unsafe or unsound condition to continue operations, or has violated any applicable law, regulation, rule, order, or condition imposed by the FDIC or any written agreement entered into between the institution and the FDIC. Management does not know of any practice, condition or violation that might lead to termination of deposit insurance.

Conservator and Receivership Powers. FDICIA significantly expanded the authority of the federal banking regulators to place depository institutions into conservatorship or receivership to include, among other things, appointment of the FDIC as conservator or receiver of an undercapitalized institution under certain circumstances. In the event the Bank is placed into conservatorship or receivership, the FDIC is required,

subject to certain exceptions, to choose the method for resolving the institution that is least costly to the BIF, such as liquidation.

Brokered Deposit Restrictions. The Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 ("FIRREA") and FDICIA generally limit institutions which are not well capitalized from accepting brokered deposits. In general, undercapitalized institutions may not solicit, accept or renew brokered deposits. Adequately capitalized institutions may not solicit, accept or renew brokered deposits unless they obtain a waiver from the FDIC. Even in that event, they may not pay an effective yield of more than 75 basis points over the effective yield paid on deposits of comparable size and maturity in the institution's normal market area for deposits accepted from within that area, or the national rate paid on deposits of comparable size and maturity for deposits accepted from outside the institution's normal market area.

Consumer Laws and Regulations. In addition to the laws and regulations discussed herein, the Bank is also subject to certain consumer laws and regulations that are designed to protect consumers in transactions with banks. While the following list is not exhaustive, these laws and regulations include the Truth in Lending Act, the Truth in Savings Act, the Electronic Funds Transfer Act, the Expedited Funds Availability Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, the privacy provisions of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, and the Fair Housing Act, among others. These laws and regulations mandate certain disclosure requirements and regulate the manner in which financial institutions must deal with customers when taking deposits or making loans to such customers. The Bank must comply with the applicable provisions of these consumer protection laws and regulations as part of its ongoing customer relations.

The Company

The Company is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (the "BHCA"), and is subject to supervision and regulation by the Federal Reserve Board. The BHCA and other Federal laws subject bank holding companies to particular restrictions on the types of activities in which they may engage, and to a range of supervisory requirements and activities, including regulatory enforcement actions for violations of laws and regulations. As a bank holding company, the Company's activities and those of its banking and nonbanking subsidiaries have in the past been limited to the business of banking and activities closely related or incidental to banking. Under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (see discussion below), however, bank holding companies and national banks have broadened authority, subject to limitations, to engage in activities that are financial in nature if the bank subsidiary is well capitalized and well managed and has at least a satisfactory rating under the Community Reinvestment Act.

Because the Company is a legal entity separate and distinct from its subsidiaries, its right to participate in the distribution of assets of any subsidiary upon the subsidiary's liquidation or reorganization is subject to the prior claims of the subsidiary's creditors. In the event of a liquidation or other resolution of the Bank, the claims of depositors and other general or subordinated creditors of the Bank are entitled to a priority of payment over the claims of holders of any obligation of the institution to its shareholders, including any depository institution holding company (such as the Company) or any shareholder or creditor thereof.

Safe and Sound Banking Practices. Bank holding companies are not permitted to engage in unsafe and unsound banking practices. FIRREA expanded the Federal Reserve Board's authority to prohibit activities of bank holding companies and their nonbanking subsidiaries that represent unsafe and unsound banking practices or that constitute violations of laws or regulations. Notably, FIRREA increased the amount of civil money penalties which the Federal Reserve Board can assess for certain activities conducted on a knowing and reckless basis, if those activities caused a substantial loss to a depository institution. The penalties can be as high as \$1,000,000 for each day the activity continues. FIRREA also expanded the scope of individuals and entities against which such penalties may be assessed.

Stock Repurchases. A holding company is required to give the Federal Reserve Board prior notice of any redemption or repurchase of its own equity securities, if the consideration to be paid, together with the consideration paid for any repurchases or redemptions in the preceding year, is equal to 10 percent or more of the company's consolidated net worth. The Federal Reserve Board may oppose the transaction if it believes that the transaction would constitute an unsafe or unsound practice or would violate any law or regulation. A

holding company may not impair its subsidiary bank's soundness by causing it to make funds available to nonbanking subsidiaries or their customers if the Federal Reserve Board believes it not prudent to do so.

Annual Reporting, Examinations. The Company is required to file an annual report with the Federal Reserve Board, and such additional information as the Federal Reserve Board may require pursuant to the BHCA. The Federal Reserve Board may examine a bank holding company or any of its subsidiaries, and charge the Company for the cost of such an examination.

Capital Adequacy Requirements. The Federal Reserve Board has adopted a system using risk-based capital guidelines to evaluate the capital adequacy of bank holding companies. Under the guidelines, specific categories of assets and certain off-balance sheet assets such as letters of credit are assigned different risk weights, based generally on the perceived credit risk of the asset. These risk weights are multiplied by corresponding asset balances to determine a "risk-weighted" asset base. The guidelines require a minimum total risk-based capital ratio of 8.0% (of which at least 4.0% is required to consist of Tier 1 capital elements).

In addition to the risk-based capital guidelines, the Federal Reserve Board uses a leverage ratio as an additional tool to evaluate the capital adequacy of bank holding companies. The leverage ratio is a company's Tier 1 capital divided by its total consolidated average assets. Bank holding companies must maintain a minimum leverage ratio of at least 3.0%, although most are expected to maintain leverage ratios that are above this minimum ratio.

The federal banking agencies' risk-based and leverage ratios are minimum supervisory ratios generally applicable to banking organizations that meet certain specified criteria, assuming that they have the highest regulatory rating. Banking organizations not meeting these criteria are expected to operate with capital positions well above the minimum ratios. The federal bank regulatory agencies may set capital requirements for a particular banking organization that are higher than the minimum ratios when circumstances warrant. Federal Reserve Board guidelines also provide that banking organizations experiencing internal growth or making acquisitions will be expected to maintain strong capital positions substantially above the minimum supervisory levels, without significant reliance on intangible assets. In addition, the regulations of the Federal Reserve Board provide that concentration of credit risk and certain risks arising from nontraditional activities, as well as an institution's ability to manage these risks, are important factors to be taken into account by regulatory agencies in assessing an organization's overall capital adequacy.

Gramm Leach-Bliley Act

Traditionally, the activities of bank holding companies have been limited to the business of banking and activities closely related or incidental to banking. Beginning in 1999, however, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act permits bank holding companies to engage in a broader range of financial activities. Specifically, bank holding companies may elect to become "financial holding companies," which may affiliate with securities firms and insurance companies and engage in other activities that are financial in nature or incidental to a financial activity. A bank holding company may become a financial holding company under the statute only if each of its subsidiary banks is well capitalized, is well managed, and has at least a satisfactory rating under the Community Reinvestment Act. Under the statute, the Federal Reserve Board serves as the primary "umbrella" regulator of financial holding companies with supervisory authority over each parent company and limited authority over its subsidiaries. The primary regulator of each subsidiary of a financial holding company depends on the type of activity conducted by the subsidiary. For example, broker-dealer subsidiaries are regulated largely by securities regulators and insurance subsidiaries are regulated largely by insurance authorities. A bank holding company that falls out of compliance with such requirement may be required to cease engaging in certain activities. Any bank holding company that does not elect to become a financial holding company remains subject to the current restrictions of the Bank Holding Company Act. The Company has elected not to become a financial holding company.

Enforcement Powers of the Federal Banking Agencies

The federal banking agencies have broad enforcement powers, including the power to terminate deposit insurance, impose substantial fines and other civil and criminal penalties, and appoint a conservator or

receiver. Failure to comply with applicable laws, regulations, and supervisory agreements could subject the Company or the Bank and their subsidiaries, as well as officers, directors, and other institution-affiliated parties of these organizations, to administrative sanctions and potentially substantial civil money penalties. In addition to the grounds discussed above under "— The Bank — Prompt Corrective Action," the appropriate federal banking agency may appoint the FDIC as conservator or receiver for a banking institution (or the FDIC may appoint itself, under certain circumstances) if any one or more of a number of circumstances exist, including, without limitation, the fact that the banking institution is undercapitalized and has no reasonable prospect of becoming adequately capitalized; fails to become adequately capitalized when required to do so; fails to submit a timely and acceptable capital restoration plan; or materially fails to implement an accepted capital restoration plan.

Imposition of Liability for Undercapitalized Subsidiaries. FDICIA requires bank regulators to take "prompt corrective action" to resolve problems associated with insured depository institutions whose capital declines below certain levels. In the event an institution becomes "undercapitalized," it must submit a capital restoration plan. The capital restoration plan will not be accepted by the regulators unless each company having control of the undercapitalized institution guarantees the subsidiary's compliance with the capital restoration plan. Under FDICIA, the aggregate liability of all companies controlling an undercapitalized bank is limited to the lesser of 5% of the institution's assets at the time it became undercapitalized or the amount necessary to cause the institution to be "adequately capitalized." The guarantee and limit on liability expire after the regulators notify the institution that it has remained adequately capitalized for each of four consecutive calendar quarters. FDICIA grants greater powers to the bank regulators in situations where an institution becomes "significantly" or "critically" undercapitalized or fails to submit a capital restoration plan. For example, a bank holding company controlling such an institution can be required to obtain prior Federal Reserve Board approval of proposed dividends, or might be required to consent to a consolidation or to divest the troubled institution or other affiliates. At December 31, 2004, the Bank met the requirements of a "well capitalized" institution and, therefore, these requirements presently do not apply to the Company.

Acquisitions by Bank Holding Companies: The BHCA requires every bank holding company to obtain the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board before it may acquire all or substantially all of the assets of any bank, or direct or indirect ownership or control of more than 5% of any class of voting shares of any bank.

USA Patriot Act of 2001

On October 6, 2001, the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism ("USA Patriot") Act of 2001 was enacted. The statute increased the power of the United States Government to obtain access to information and to investigate a full array of criminal activities. In the area of money laundering activities, the statute added terrorism, terrorism support, and foreign corruption to the definition of money laundering offenses and increased the civil and criminal penalties for money laundering; applied certain anti-money laundering measures to United States bank accounts used by foreign persons; prohibited financial institutions from establishing, maintaining, administering or managing a correspondent account with a foreign shell bank; provided for certain forfeitures of funds deposited in United States interbank accounts by foreign banks; provided the Secretary of the Treasury with regulatory authority to ensure that certain types of bank accounts are not used to hide the identity of customers transferring funds and to impose additional reporting requirements with respect to money laundering activities; and included other measures. On October 28, 2002, the Department of Treasury issued a final rule concerning compliance by covered United States financial institutions with the new statutory anti-money laundering requirement regarding correspondent accounts established or maintained for foreign banking institutions, including the requirement that financial institutions take reasonable steps to ensure that correspondent accounts provided to foreign banks are not being used to indirectly provide banking services to foreign shell banks. The Company believes that compliance with the new requirements will not have a material adverse impact on its operations or financial condition.

Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In June 2003, the Securities and Exchange Commission adopted final rules under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Commencing with this 2004 Annual Report on Form 10-K, the Company is required to include a report of management on the Company's internal control over financial reporting. The internal control report must include a statement of management's responsibility for establishing and maintaining adequate control over financial reporting as of year-end; of the framework used by management to evaluate the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting; and that the Company's independent accounting firm has issued an attestation report on management's assessment of the Company's internal control over financial reporting, which report is also required to be filed as part of the Annual Report. Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting is in Item 9A. Controls and Procedures which begins on page 44 of this report. The Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm begins on page 52 of this report.

Effect of Economic Environment

The policies of regulatory authorities, including the monetary policy of the Federal Reserve Board, have a significant effect on the operating results of bank holding companies and their subsidiaries. Among the means available to the Federal Reserve Board to affect the money supply are open market operations in United States Government securities, changes in the discount rate on member bank borrowings, and changes in reserve requirements against member bank deposits. These means are used in varying combinations to influence overall growth and distribution of bank loans, investments, and deposits, and their use may affect interest rates charged on loans or paid for deposits.

Federal Reserve Board monetary policies have materially affected the operating results of commercial banks in the past and are expected to continue to do so in the future. The nature of future monetary policies and the effect of such policies on the business and earnings of the Company and its subsidiaries cannot be predicted.

Item 2. Properties

The Company's principal executive offices are located at 4400 Post Oak Parkway in Houston, Texas in space leased by the Company. The principal offices of Amegy Mortgage are located at 4576 Research Forest Drive in The Woodlands, Texas, in space owned by the Company.

	Owned	Leased	Total
Banking offices in the Houston metropolitan area	41	31	72
Banking offices in the Dallas metropolitan area	1	4	5
Central department offices	=	_2	_2
Total	<u>42</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>79</u>

The Company has options to renew leases at most locations.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

The Company is involved in various legal proceedings that arise in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management of the Company, after consultation with its legal counsel, such legal proceedings are not expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

No matter was submitted during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report to a vote of the Company's security holders.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters, and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The Company's common stock began trading on the NASDAQ Stock Market on January 28, 1997, and was quoted in such Market under the symbol "SWBT". Effective March 7, 2005, the Company's stock ticker symbol changed to "ABNK". The Company's common stock was not publicly traded, nor was there an established market therefor, prior to January 28, 1997. On March 8, 2005 there were approximately 1,016 holders of record of the Company's common stock.

The Company's principal source of funds to pay cash dividends on its common stock is cash dividends from the Bank. There are statutory limitations on the payment of dividends by national banks. Without approval of the OCC, dividends in any calendar year may not exceed the Bank's total net income for that year, plus its retained earnings for the preceding two years, less any required transfers to capital surplus or to a fund for the retirement of any preferred stock. In addition, a dividend may not be paid in excess of a bank's cumulative net profits after deducting bad debts in excess of the allowance for loan losses. As of December 31, 2004, approximately \$66.7 million was available for payment of dividends by the Bank to the Company under these restrictions without regulatory approval. See "Item 1. Business — Supervision and Regulation."

The following table presents the high and low intra-day sales prices per share of the Company's common stock as reported by the NASDAQ and the cash dividends declared per share for each quarter of 2004 and 2003. The common stock sale price and cash dividends per common share were retroactively adjusted for the Company's one for one stock dividend paid on July 15, 2004.

		20				20		
	Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter
Common stock sale price:								
High	\$25.01	\$22.06	\$22.09	\$19.96	\$19.65	\$19.23	\$17.98	\$16.53
Low			\$18.61	\$18.43	\$17.60	\$16.03	\$14.83	\$13.80
Cash dividends per common share	\$ 0.03		\$ 0.03	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.02	\$ —	\$ —

On February 2, 2005, the Company's Board of Directors approved a cash dividend of \$0.03 per common share to be paid on March 15, 2005 to shareholders of record on March 1, 2005.

Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

None.

Stock Repurchase Plan

During the third quarter of 2001, the Company announced a program to repurchase, from time to time, up to 1.0 million shares of its common stock. As of December 31, 2004, no shares of the Company's common stock had been repurchased under this plan.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following consolidated selected financial data should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company and the Notes thereto, appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report, and the information contained in "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." The selected historical consolidated financial data as of the end of and for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2004 are derived from the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements which have been audited by independent accountants.

Earnings per common share, cash dividends per common share, book value per common share, average common shares outstanding, and average common share equivalents presented below were retroactively adjusted for the Company's one for one stock dividend paid on July 15, 2004.

	Year Ended December 31,									
		2004		2003		2002		2001	_	2000
		(I	Dol	llars in thou	ısa	nds, except	per	share data)	
Income Statement Data:										
Interest income	\$	283,229 56,677	\$	236,244 45,725	\$	235,594 59,779	\$	258,416 101,158	\$	269,657 121,662
Net interest income	_	226,552	_	190.519		175,815	_	157,258	_	147,995
Provision for loan losses		10,212		11,850		11,037		7,451	_	6,960
Net interest income after provision for loan losses		216,340		178,669	_	164,778		149,807		141,035
Noninterest income		96,505 216,611		83,209 173,742		67,136 145,715		55,412 127,757		40,942 115,909
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Income before income taxes		96,234 27,691		88,136 27,407		86,199 26,993		77,462 24,745		66,068 22,607
Net income	\$	68,543	\$	60,729	\$	59,206	\$	52,717	\$	43,461
Per Share Data:					_					
Basic earnings per common share ⁽¹⁾	\$	0.99	\$	0.89	\$	0.88	\$	0.80	\$	0.67
Diluted earnings per common share (1)	\$	0.97	\$	0.87	\$	0.86	\$	0.77	\$	0.65
Cash dividends per common share	\$	0.12	\$	0.05	\$	_	\$		\$	0.04
Book value per common share		8.28	\$	7.30	\$	6.58	\$	5.50	\$	4.56
(in thousands)		69,104		68,088		66,952		65,710		64,794
Average common share equivalents (in thousands)		1.771		1.628		1,940		2,442		2,464
Performance Ratios:		-,		-,		-,-		_,		_,
Return on average assets		1.05%	,	1.14%	,	1.30%	,	1.32%)	1.23%
Return on average common shareholders' equity		12.86%	,	12.86%	,	14.55%	,	15.82%	,	17.00%
Dividend payout ratio		12.11%)	5.63%	,			_		5.39%
Taxable-equivalent net interest margin		3.99%)	4.04%	,	4.35%)	4.41%	,	4.57%
Efficiency ratio ⁽³⁾		65.52%	,	63.26%	ó	60.41%	,	60.08%	5	61.20%
Balance Sheet Data ⁽²⁾ :										
Total assets	\$7	,505,603	\$:	5,947,133	\$	5,173,204	\$4	4,401,690	\$	3,940,827
Securities		,985,237		1,549,398		1,201,200	1	1,068,315		848,164
Loans	4	,646,982		3,588,572		3,219,340	- 2	2,759,482		2,511,437
Allowance for loan losses		49,408		41,611		35,449		30,856		27,665
Total deposits	5	,620,043		4,403,239		3,912,049	1	3,428,633		3,093,870
Short-term borrowings		759,624		473,154		408,381		222,168		298,218
Long-term borrowings		10,410		206,658		107,049		7,410		7,743
Senior subordinated debenture		75,000				´ —		´ —		´ —
Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures		149,486		51,547		_		_		_
Total shareholders' equity		580,414		499,321		445,523		361,734		298,125
Capital Ratio:				,		,		,		
Average equity to average assets		8.20%	b	8.82%	0	8.95%		8.34%	•	7.23%
Asset Quality Ratios ⁽²⁾ :										
Nonperforming assets ⁽⁴⁾ to loans and other real		0.550	,	0.400	,	0.500		0.530	,	0.4107
estate		0.55%		0.49%		0.50%		0.53%		0.41%
Net charge-offs to average loans		0.15%		0.22%		0.22%		0.17%		0.06%
Allowance for credit losses to total loans		1.11%		1.23%		1.18%		1.17%		1.16%
Allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans ⁽⁵⁾		304.50%	9	326.57%	ο.	236.50%)	233.78%)	292.69%

Basic earnings per common share is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per

common share is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders, adjusted for any changes in income that would result from the assumed conversion of all potential dilutive common shares, by the sum of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding and the effect of all dilutive potential common shares outstanding for the period.

- (2) At period end, except net charge-offs to average loans.
- (3) Calculated by dividing total noninterest expenses, excluding amortization of intangibles, by net interest income plus noninterest income, excluding net security gains (losses).
- (4) Nonperforming assets consist of nonperforming loans and other real estate owned.
- Nonperforming loans consist of nonaccrual loans, troubled debt restructurings and loans contractually past due 90 days or more.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

SPECIAL CAUTIONARY NOTICE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain of the matters discussed in this document and in documents incorporated by reference herein, including matters discussed under the caption "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," may constitute forward-looking statements for purposes of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and as such may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. The words "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "believe," "seek," "estimate," and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements.

The Company's actual results may differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements due to a variety of factors, including, without limitation (a) the effects of future economic conditions on the Company and its customers; (b) the costs and effects of litigation and of unexpected or adverse outcomes in such litigation; (c) governmental monetary and fiscal policies, as well as legislative and regulatory changes; (d) the effect of changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the regulatory agencies, as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board and other accounting standard setters; (e) the risks of changes in interest rates on the level and composition of deposits, loan demand, and the values of loan collateral, securities and interest rate protection agreements, as well as interest rate risks; (f) the effects of competition from other commercial banks, thrifts, mortgage banking firms, consumer finance companies, credit unions, securities brokerage firms, insurance companies, money market and other mutual funds and other financial institutions operating in the Company's market area and elsewhere, including institutions operating locally, regionally, nationally and internationally, together with such competitors offering banking products and services by mail, telephone, computer and the Internet; (g) technological changes; (h) acquisitions and integration of acquired businesses; (i) the failure of assumptions underlying the establishment of reserves for loan losses and estimations of values of collateral and various financial assets and liabilities; and (i) acts of war or terrorism. All written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Company are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations analyzes the major elements of the Company's consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company and Notes thereto and other detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report.

For the Years Ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002

Overview

This overview of management's discussion and analysis highlights selected information in this document and may not contain all of the information that is important to you. For a more complete understanding of

trends, events, commitments, uncertainties, liquidity, capital resources, and critical accounting estimates, you should carefully read this entire document. These have an impact on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

Net income was \$68.5 million, \$60.7 million, and \$59.2 million and diluted earnings per common share was \$0.97, \$0.87, and \$0.86 for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. This increase in net income was primarily the result of strong loan growth, increases in fee income, and the maintenance of strong asset quality offset by increases in operating expenses resulting from the Company's mergers with Reunion and Klein Bancshares, Inc. ("Klein") during 2004. Returns on average assets were 1.05%, 1.14%, and 1.30% and returns on average common shareholders' equity were 12.86%, 12.86%, and 14.55% for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. Return on average assets and return on average common shareholders' equity in 2004 were negatively impacted by the decline in the net interest margin and increases in operating expenses resulting from the Company's mergers with Reunion and Klein and the opening of the Dallas operations center, as well as expenses related to compliance work associated with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the name change as discussed below. Return on average assets is calculated by dividing net income by the daily average of common shareholders' equity.

Total assets at December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 were \$7.51 billion, \$5.95 billion, and \$5.17 billion, respectively. This growth was a result of a favorable local economy, the mergers with Maxim Financial Holdings, Inc. ("Maxim"), Reunion and Klein, and the Company's overall growth strategy. Loans were \$4.65 billion at December 31, 2004, an increase of \$1.06 billion, or 29%, from \$3.59 billion at December 31, 2003. Loans were \$3.22 billion at December 31, 2002. Deposits increased to \$5.62 billion at December 31, 2004 from \$4.40 billion at December 31, 2003 and \$3.91 billion at December 31, 2002. As of December 31, 2004, approximately \$297.3 million of loans and \$747.2 million of deposits relate to the former Reunion and Klein branches.

Two principal components of the Company's growth strategy are expansion through de novo branching and strategic merger transactions. During 2004, two new branches were opened in the Houston metropolitan area. The merger with Maxim was completed in July 2003, adding eight branches in Galveston County. The merger with Reunion closed on January 31, 2004. This transaction added five branch locations in Dallas and initiated the Company's entry into the important Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex market. The Company opened an operations center in Dallas during the second quarter of 2004 to enable it to offer its treasury management products to commercial businesses in that market. The merger with Klein was closed on October 1, 2004. This merger added 27 branches in the attractive northwest quadrant of the Houston metropolitan area to the Company's branch network, bringing the total number of branches in Houston to 72 at December 31, 2004.

Taxable-equivalent net interest income increased \$37.9 million, or 20%, during 2004 primarily as a result of the Company's strong internal loan growth coupled with loans acquired through the mergers with Reunion and Klein. Investment securities increased during the year as a result of the investment portfolio acquired in the Klein merger. This increase contributed to the increase in net interest income.

Noninterest income increased \$13.3 million, or 16%, to \$96.5 million in 2004 compared with \$83.2 million in 2003 and \$67.1 million in 2002. Noninterest income continues to be an important component of the Company's net income and comprises 30% of total revenue, defined as net interest income plus noninterest income, in 2004. The primary drivers of the increase were continued growth in service charge income arising both from the sale of treasury management products to commercial customers and from retail activities, increased income from the trust, investment, and foreign exchange groups, and gains from the sale of letters of credit, loan commitments and from the private equity investment portfolio.

Noninterest expenses increased \$42.9 million, or 25%, to \$216.6 million in 2004 compared with \$173.7 million in 2003 and \$145.7 million in 2002. The primary causes of the increase in noninterest expenses were the Company's merger activity, expenses related to the opening of the Dallas operations center, expenses related to Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, expenses related to the name change, and normal operating expense increases to support the increase in the levels of the Company's business. The Company merged with Maxim on July 1, 2003, Reunion on January 31, 2004, and Klein on October 1, 2004. The operating, core deposit

intangible amortization, and merger related expenses from these three merged entities incurred during 2004 totaled \$23.2 million, compared with \$7.7 million of operating, core deposit intangible amortization, and merger-related expenses incurred in 2003 associated with the Maxim merger. The Company incurred approximately \$900,000 of out-of-pocket expenses related to Sarbanes-Oxley compliance and \$630,000 of expenses related to the change in its name. In addition, the Company continues to invest in its technology infrastructure and personnel to accommodate the growth in its various business activities, including the sale of treasury management products and services, and to continually upgrade its capabilities to meet customer and data security requirements.

Credit quality is an area of importance to the Company and 2004 reflected continued favorable results. Net charge-offs were 0.15% of average loans, an improvement from the 0.22% experienced during 2003. Nonperforming assets to total loans and other real estate was 0.55% at December 31, 2004, compared with 0.49% at December 31, 2003. See "— Financial Condition — Loans Held for Investment" for information on the composition of the loan portfolio.

The Company's capital position remains strong and in excess of the regulatory minimums to be classified as "well capitalized." Its Tier 1 capital ratio of 9.02% and Total Capital ratio of 11.02% were augmented by the issuance of \$35.0 million in trust preferred securities issued by SWBT Statutory Trust II in September 2004 and \$60.0 million in trust preferred securities issued by SWBT Statutory Trust III in December 2004 (neither of which are consolidated for reporting purposes) and the issuance of \$75.0 million of senior subordinated debentures in September 2004. The proceeds of these issuances were used to fund the merger with Klein and to augment the Company's capital to support the growth in its loan portfolio. See "— Financial Condition — Liquidity."

Results of Operations

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2004	2003	2002		
	(Do	llars in thousan	ıds)		
Taxable — equivalent net interest income	\$232,104	\$194,189	\$178,494		
Taxable — equivalent adjustment	(5,552)	(3,670)	(2,679)		
Net interest income, as reported	226,552	190,519	175,815		
Provision for loan losses	10,212	11,850	11,037		
Noninterest income	96,505	83,209	67,136		
Noninterest expenses	216,611	173,742	145,715		
Income before income taxes	96,234	88,136	86,199		
Provision for income taxes	27,691	27,407	26,993		
Net income	\$ 68,543	\$ 60,729	\$ 59,206		
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.88		
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.97	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.86		
Return on average assets	1.05%	1.14%	1.30%		
Return on average common shareholders' equity	12.86%	12.86%	14.55%		

Net Interest Income

Net interest income represents the amount by which interest income on interest-earning assets, primarily securities and loans, exceeds interest expense incurred on interest-bearing liabilities, including deposits and borrowed funds. Net interest income, the principal source of the Company's earnings, provided 70% of the Company's total revenues in 2004, compared with 70% in 2003 and 72% in 2002. Changes in the level of interest rates, as well as changes in the amount and type of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, combine to affect net interest income.

•2004 versus 2003. Taxable-equivalent net interest income was \$232.1. million in 2004 compared with \$194.2 million in 2003, an increase of \$37.9 million, or 20%. Growth in average interest-earning assets, primarily loans, was \$1.01 billion, or 21%, while taxable-equivalent yields on interest-earning assets decreased 3 basis points to 4.96%. The impact of the growth in average interest-earning assets was partially offset by a \$766.5 million, or 22%, increase in average interest-bearing liabilities that generated \$9.1 million of interest expense in 2004. The cost of average interest bearing liabilities increased by 3 basis points to 1.31% compared with 1.28% in 2003. The combined effect of the decrease in the taxable-equivalent yield on interest-earning assets and the increase in cost of interest-bearing liabilities was a 5 basis point decline in the taxable-equivalent net interest margin for 2004 compared with 2003, to 3.99% from 4.04%. For the year 2004, the strong growth in interest-earning assets, primarily loans, generated a \$51.2 million increase in interest income.

Net interest margin risk is typically related to a narrowing of the margin between the yield on interest-earning assets and the cost of interest bearing liabilities as the level of market interest rates changes and changes occur both in the business mix and the rate of growth of the Company's loan and securities portfolios and the mix and cost of its sources of liabilities used to fund its earnings assets. The Company manages this risk with asset and liability policies designed to maximize net interest income and the net present value of future cash flows within authorized risk limits by managing the changes in its deposit and loan pricing, seeking to match the repricing profile of its interest bearing liabilities and its interest bearing loan portfolio, and by managing the composition and maturity profile of its securities portfolio. During 2004, the growth in interest-earning assets, primarily loans, outpaced the growth in internally generated deposits resulting in an increased reliance on higher cost wholesale funding sources to support this growth. As the market level of interest rates changes, wholesale funding sources typically will reprice more rapidly than core deposits. To address this reliance on wholesale funding and to meet its strategic growth objectives, the Company merged with Klein on October 1, 2004. The Klein merger added \$535.6 million in deposits, \$163.1 million in loans and \$330.0 million in securities.

2003 versus 2002. Taxable-equivalent net interest income was \$194.2 million in 2003 compared with \$178.5 million in 2002, an increase of \$15.7 million, or 9%. Growth in average interest-earning assets, primarily loans and securities, was \$701.3 million, or 17%, while yields decreased 81 basis points to 4.99%. The impact of the growth in average interest-earning assets was partially offset by a \$443.2 million, or 14%, increase in average interest-bearing liabilities, offset by a decrease in the rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities of 64 basis points to 1.28% in 2003.

The following table presents, for the periods indicated, the total dollar amount of interest income from average interest-earning assets and the resultant yields, as well as the interest expense on average interest-bearing liabilities, expressed both in dollars and rates. Income and yield on interest-earning assets include amounts to convert tax-exempt income to a taxable-equivalent basis, assuming a 35% tax rate. All average balances are daily average balances. Nonaccruing loans have been included in the table as loans carrying a zero yield. Interest on nonaccruing loans is included to the extent it is received. The yield on the securities portfolio is based on average historical cost balances and does not give effect to changes in fair value that are reflected as a component of consolidated shareholders' equity.

				Year End	ed Decembe	er 31,			
		2004			2003		2002		
	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned/ Paid ⁽¹⁾	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned/ Paid ⁽¹⁾	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Earned/ Paid ⁽¹⁾	Average Yield/ Rate
				(Dollar	s in thousan	ıds)			
Interest-earning assets: Loans Securities Federal funds sold and		\$217,876 70,179	5.38% 4.09	\$3,362,177 1,355,900	\$186,408 52,538	5.54% 3.87	\$2,916,959 1,139,017	\$178,264 59,211	6.11% 5.20
other	53,610	726	1.35	89,579	968	1.08	50,409	798	1.58
Total interest-earning assets	5,821,130	288,781	4.96%	4,807,656	239,914	4.99%	4,106,385	238,273	5.80%
Less allowance for loan losses	(49,139)			(40,546)			(34,067)		
Noninterest-earning assets	5,771,991			4,767,110 583,177			4,072,318 473,976		
Total assets	\$6,502,856			\$5,350,287			\$4,546,294		
Interest-bearing liabilities: Money market and savings				=					
deposits		17,022 22,808	0.80% 2.06	\$1,835,565 1,004,928	15,244 21,727	0.83% 2.16	\$1,553,178 926,001	20,463 28,499	1.32% 3.08
other borrowed funds	1,096,049	16,847	1.54	722,038	8,754	1.21	640,141	10,817	1.69
Total interest-bearing liabilities	4,328,984	56,677	1.31%	3,562,531	45,725	1.28%	3,119,320	59,779	1.92%
Noninterest-bearing liabilities: Noninterest-bearing									
demand deposits Other liabilities				1,281,546 34,024			994,113 25,872		
Total liabilities Shareholders' equity				4,878,101 472,186			4,139,305 406,989		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$6,502,856			<u>\$5,350,287</u>			\$4,546,294		
Taxable-equivalent net interest income		\$232,104			\$194,189			\$178,494	
Taxable-equivalent net interest spread			3.65%			<u>3.71</u> %			3.89%
Taxable-equivalent net interest margin			3.99%			4.04%			4.35%

⁽¹⁾ For analytical purposes, income from tax-exempt assets, primarily securities issued by state and local governments or authorities, is adjusted by an increment that equates tax-exempt income to income from taxable assets assuming a 35% federal income tax rate. The following is a reconciliation of taxable-equivalent net interest income to net interest income, as reported.

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2004	2003	2002		
	(Dollars in thousands)				
Taxable — equivalent net interest income	\$232,104	\$194,189	\$178,494		
Taxable — equivalent adjustment	(5,552)	(3,670)	(2,679)		
Net interest income, as reported	\$226,552	\$190,519	\$175,815		

The following table presents the dollar amount of changes in interest income and interest expense for the major components of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and distinguishes between the increase (decrease) related to higher outstanding balances and the volatility of interest rates. For purposes of this table, changes attributable to both rate and volume have been allocated proportionately to the change due to volume and the change due to rate.

	Year Ended December 31,							
		2004 vs.	2003		2003 vs. 2002 Increase (Decrease) Due to			
	In	crease (Decre	ase) Due	to				
	Volume	Rate	Days	Total	Volume	Rate	Total	
			(Dollars in tho	usands)			
Interest-earning assets:								
Loans	\$37,831	\$(6,874)	\$511	\$31,468	\$27,209	\$(19,065)	\$ 8,144	
Securities	13,807	3,690	144	17,641	11,274	(17,947)	(6,673)	
Federal funds sold and other	(391)	146	3	(242)	620	(450)	<u> </u>	
Total increase (decrease) in taxable- equivalent interest income	51,247	(3,038)	658	48,867	39,103	(37,462)	1,641	
Interest-bearing liabilities:								
Money market and savings deposits	2,388	(652)	42	1,778	3,720	(8,939)	(5,219)	
Time deposits	2,142	(1,121)	60	1,081	2,429	(9,201)	(6,772)	
Repurchase agreements and other borrowed funds	4,522	3,547	24	8,093	1,384	(3,447)	(2,063)	
Total increase (decrease) in interest expense	9,052	1,774	126	10,952	7,533	(21,587)	(14,054)	
Increase (decrease) in taxable-equivalent net interest income	<u>\$42,195</u>	\$(4,812)	<u>\$532</u>	<u>\$37,915</u>	\$31,570	<u>\$(15,875)</u>	\$ 15,695	

On a taxable-equivalent basis, interest income increased by \$48.9 million in 2004 as a result of increases in the average balances of interest-earning assets, primarily loans. The increase in interest income resulting from higher yields on the securities portfolio of \$3.7 million was offset by a decrease in interest income resulting from declines in the yield earned on the loan portfolio of \$6.9 million which was due to a changing business mix of loans and increased price competition. This increase in interest income was offset by a \$9.1 million increase in interest expense due to higher volumes of interest bearing liabilities and a \$1.8 million increase in interest expense resulting from an increase in the rates paid. The net result was a \$37.9 million increase in taxable-equivalent net interest income in 2004 compared with 2003.

Provision for Loan Losses

The provision for loan losses is determined by management as the amount to be added to the allowance for loan losses after net charge-offs have been deducted to bring the allowance to a level which, in management's best estimate, is necessary to absorb probable losses within the existing loan portfolio. The 2004 provision for loan losses was \$10.2 million, a decrease of \$1.6 million from 2003. The provision for the year ended December 31, 2003 was \$11.9 million, an increase of \$813,000 from the year ended December 31, 2002. Management regularly reviews the Company's loan loss allowance in accordance with its standard procedures. See "— Financial Condition — Loan Review and Allowance for Loan Losses."

Noninterest Income

Noninterest income grew to \$96.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of \$13.3 million, or 16%, from \$83.2 million for 2003. Noninterest income was \$83.2 million in 2003, an increase of \$16.1 million, or 24%, from \$67.1 million for 2002.

The following table presents the breakout of noninterest income between the bank and the mortgage company for the periods indicated.

	Year Ended December 31,									
		2004			2003			2002		
	Bank	Mortgage	Combined	Bank	Mortgage	Combined	Bank	Mortgage	Combined	
				(Doll	ars in thou	sands)				
Service charges on deposit										
accounts	\$46,345	\$ —	\$46,345	\$40,065	\$ —	\$40,065	\$33,936	\$ <u> </u>	\$33,936	
Investment services	12,682		12,682	9,712	_	9,712	9,302	_	9,302	
Factoring fee income	3,712		3,712	3,806	_	3,806	4,692	_	4,692	
Loan fee income	4,202	2,067	6,269	2,593	2,978	5,571	1,693	1,633	3,326	
Bank-owned life insurance										
income	7,047		7,047	6,009	_	6,009	4,860	_	4,860	
Letters of credit fee income	4,201	_	4,201	2,522		2,522	1,608		1,608	
Mortgage servicing fees, net of										
amortization and impairment		867	867	_	659	659	_	(2,907)	(2,907)	
Gain on sale of loans, net	64	914	978	_	1,522	1,522	472	1,396	1,868	
Gain (loss) on sale of securities,										
net	(12)		(12)	1,224	_	1,224	1,737		1,737	
Other income	13,697	719	14,416	11,024	1,095	12,119	7,909	805	8,714	
Total noninterest income	\$91,938	<u>\$4,567</u>	\$96,505	\$76,955	<u>\$6,254</u>	\$83,209	\$66,209	\$ 927	\$67,136	

Banking Segment. The largest component of noninterest income is service charges on deposit accounts, which were \$46.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, compared with \$40.1 million for 2003 and \$33.9 million for 2002. These were increases of 16% and 18%, respectively, for 2004 and 2003. Several factors contributed to this growth. First, the Bank's treasury management group continues to grow with service charges from commercial analysis and fee income up \$1.9 million, or 11%, in 2004. This success at winning new business results from the Company's ability to design custom cost-effective cash management solutions for middle market and large corporate customers. Second, net non-sufficient funds charges on deposit accounts were \$23.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of \$3.8 million, or 20%, from \$19.2 million for the same period last year. Additionally, the total number of deposit accounts grew from 159,860 at December 31, 2002 to 193,701 at December 31, 2003 and to 202,999 at December 31, 2004.

Income on Bank-owned life insurance was \$7.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, compared to \$6.0 million for 2003 and \$4.9 million for 2002. These were increases of 17% and 24%, respectively, for 2004 and 2003. The increases in 2004 and 2003 were attributable to the purchase of \$30.0 million of additional Bank-owned life insurance in the third quarter of 2003.

Other income was \$13.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, compared with \$11.0 million in 2003 and \$7.9 million in 2002. The primary reasons for the increase in 2004 were an increase in equity investments income from unconsolidated investees and increased rental income.

Mortgage Segment. Loan fee income was \$2.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 compared with \$3.0 million for 2003 and \$1.6 million for 2002. Mortgage loan originations were lower in 2004 compared with 2003 as a result of higher market rates reducing borrower incentives to refinance. Amegy Mortgage funded \$660.3 million of loans for the year ended December 31, 2004 compared with \$735.0 million in 2003. Lower interest rates in 2003 and 2002 contributed to an increase in mortgage refinancings and originations. The increase in loan fee income of \$1.3 million in 2003 was the result of an increase in the Amegy Mortgage loans funded of \$212.0 million to \$735.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, compared with \$523.0 million in 2002.

Gain on sale of loans, net, was \$914,000 for the year ended December 31, 2004, down \$608,000, or 40%, compared with \$1.5 million for 2003 and \$1.4 million for 2002. The market value of loans held for sale is impacted by changes in current interest rates. An increase in interest rates results in a decrease in the market

value of these loans while a decrease in interest rates results in an increase in the market value of these loans. The principal balances of mortgage loans sold were \$174.6 million, \$270.0 million, and \$180.5 million during the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Mortgage servicing fees, net of amortization and impairment, were \$867,000 for the year ended December 31, 2004, compared with \$659,000 for 2003, and (\$2.9) million for 2002. The increase in 2004 is due to lower levels of refinancing experienced due to the increase in market rates for mortgages during the year. The increase in 2003 is primarily due to a provision established for capitalized mortgage servicing rights in excess of fair value, net of recovery, in the amount of \$2.4 million in 2002. During 2003, the Company's valuation allowance for mortgage servicing rights was fully recovered. For the year ended December 31, 2004, amortization of capitalized servicing costs was \$2.2 million, a decrease of \$2.6 million, or 54%, from the \$4.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2003. Amortization of capitalized mortgage servicing costs was \$4.2 million for 2002. Capitalized mortgage servicing costs are expensed against the related fee income as the underlying loans are paid off. Additionally, mortgage servicing fees were \$3.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 unchanged from \$3.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2003. See "Note 8—Mortgage Servicing Rights" for further discussion on accounting for these assets. The majority of single family mortgages originated are sold in the secondary market with servicing retained.

Noninterest Expenses

The following table presents the detail of noninterest expenses for the periods indicated.

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2004	2003	2002			
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Salaries and employee benefits	\$117,869	\$ 97,176	\$ 81,486			
Occupancy	37,657	29,690	24,066			
Professional services	12,514	9,640	8,626			
Core deposit intangible amortization expense	4,947	1,368				
Other operating expenses	43,624	35,868	31,537			
Total noninterest expenses	\$216,611	\$173,742	\$145,715			

For the year ended December 31, 2004, noninterest expenses totaled \$216.6 million, an increase of \$43.0 million, or 25%, from \$173.7 million for 2003, which had increased from \$145.7 million for 2002. The increase in noninterest expenses during these periods was due primarily to increases in salaries and employee benefits, occupancy expenses, and merger-related expenses as detailed in the table below. Of the \$43.0 million increase in noninterest expenses for 2004, \$15.5 million was related to merger-related expenses, core deposit intangible amortization expense, and operating expenses of the merged entities. Other significant factors affecting 2004 noninterest expenses were approximately \$900,000 in direct expenses for Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, \$630,000 associated with the name change, and \$2.2 million of operating expenses associated with the Dallas operations center opened in 2004.

Salaries and employee benefits expense was \$117.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of \$20.7 million, or 21%, from \$97.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2003. Salaries and employee benefits expense for the year ended December 31, 2003 increased \$15.7 million, or 19%, from the same period in 2002. These increases were due primarily to the impact of employees acquired as a result of the mergers consummated during these periods and to hiring additional personnel required to accommodate the Company's growth. Total full-time equivalent employees at December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 were 2,126, 1,760, and 1,481, respectively.

Occupancy expense rose \$8.0 million to \$37.7 million in 2004. Major categories included within occupancy expense are building lease expense, depreciation expense and maintenance contract expense. Building lease expense increased \$1.3 million, or 28%, to \$5.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2004. Depreciation expense increased \$2.9 million, or 25%, to \$15.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2004.

and was affected by the merger activity during 2004. This increase was due primarily to additional depreciation resulting from the ownership of the downtown operations center, depreciation from additional capital assets and the addition of new branches, including the eight Maxim branches acquired in July 2003, the five Lone Star Bank branches acquired in January 2004, and the 27 Klein Bank branches acquired in October 2004. Maintenance contract expense for the year ended December 31, 2004 was \$6.7 million, an increase of \$1.1 million, or 19%, compared with \$5.6 million in 2003 and \$4.0 million in 2002. The Company has purchased maintenance contracts for major operating systems throughout the organization.

Merger-related expenses related to the mergers with Klein, Reunion, and Maxim were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2004	2003	2002	
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Merger salaries and employee benefits	\$ 8,908	\$1,651		
Core deposit intangible amortization expense	4,947	1,368		
Merger operating expenses	9,382	4,715		
Total merger-related expenses	\$23,237	\$7,734	<u>\$</u>	

The efficiency ratio is a supplemental financial measure utilized in management's internal evaluation of the Company and is not defined under generally accepted accounting principles. The efficiency ratio is calculated by dividing total noninterest expenses, excluding intangible amortization expense, by net interest income plus noninterest income, excluding net security gains (losses). An increase in the efficiency ratio indicates that more resources are being utilized to generate the same volume of income, while a decrease would indicate a more efficient allocation of resources. The Company's efficiency ratios were 65.52%, 63.26%, and 60.41% for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. The increase in the efficiency ratio in 2004 is primarily a result of the decline in the net interest margin discussed in "— Results of Operations — Net Interest Income" above and the merger-related expenses discussed above. This ratio may not be a comparable measurement among different financial institutions.

Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes includes the regular federal income tax at the statutory rate, plus the income tax component of the Texas franchise tax, if applicable. The amount of federal income tax expense is influenced by the amount of taxable income, the amount of tax-exempt income, the amount of nondeductible interest expense, and the amount of other nondeductible expenses. Taxable income for the income tax component of the Texas franchise tax is the federal pre-tax income, plus certain officers salaries, less interest income from federal securities. For the year ended December 31, 2004, the provision for income taxes was \$27.7 million, an increase of \$284,000, or 1%, from \$27.4 million of provision for income taxes in 2003 which increased \$414,000, or 2%, from \$27.0 million of provision for income taxes in 2002. The Company's effective tax rates were 29% for the year ended December 31, 2004 and 31% for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. The reduced tax rate is primarily due to an increase in tax exempt income earned on the Company's bank-owned life insurance and other tax exempt securities.

Impact of Inflation

The effects of inflation on the local economy and on the Company's operating results have been relatively modest for the past several years. Since substantially all of the Company's assets and liabilities are monetary in nature, such as cash, securities, loans, and deposits, their values are less sensitive to the effects of inflation than to changing interest rates, which do not necessarily change in accordance with inflation rates. The Company attempts to control the impact of interest rate fluctuations by managing the relationship between its interest rate sensitive assets and liabilities. See "— Financial Condition — Interest Rate Sensitivity and Liquidity" below.

Financial Condition

Loans Held for Investment

Loans held for investment were \$4.54 billion at December 31, 2004, an increase of \$1.05 billion, or 30%, from December 31, 2003. Loans held for investment were \$3.49 billion at December 31, 2003, an increase of \$373.7 million, or 12%, from \$3.12 billion at December 31, 2002. During 2004, \$163.8 million and \$163.1 million of loans were acquired through the Reunion merger and the Klein merger, respectively. The balance of the loan growth was internally generated and resulted from The Company's successful marketing and business development initiatives.

During the past five years, loans have grown at a compounded annual growth rate of 18%. This growth is consistent with the Company's strategy of targeting large corporate, "middle market" and private banking customers and providing innovative products with superior customer service. This plan also includes establishing new branches in areas that demographically complement the existing or targeted customer bases, pursuing selected mergers and acquisitions that will add new markets, delivery systems, and management talent to the Company, and leveraging new or existing technology to improve the profitability of the Company and its customers.

Loans increased during 2004 as the Company continued to expand its market presence in its defined primary markets. Additionally, at December 31, 2004, approximately \$297.3 million of loans relate to the former Reunion and Klein branches. The Company continues to take a conservative approach to credit underwriting, which it believes is a prudent course of action, especially in uncertain economic conditions. While the short-term outlook for economic conditions is unclear, the Company is optimistic about the future and has continued to invest in new products, services, and personnel that it believes will bring opportunities for growth and expansion.

The loan portfolio is concentrated in loans to commercial, real estate construction, and land development enterprises, with the balance in residential and consumer loans. While no specific industry concentration is considered significant, lending operations are focused primarily on the eight county area around Houston, the Dallas-Fort Worth market and other urban markets in the State of Texas. An economic recession over a prolonged period of time in the Houston and Dallas-Fort Worth markets could cause increases in nonperforming assets, thereby causing operating losses, impairing liquidity and eroding capital. There can be no assurance that future adverse changes in the local economy would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Loans classified as shared national credits totaled approximately \$767 million at December 31, 2004 compared with \$445 million at December 31, 2003. A shared national credit is a term used by the OCC to describe a lending relationship where three or more banks may lend to one borrower in amounts of \$20 million or more. The Company believes that lending to this market is a natural development arising from its growth in capital base and its breadth of product offering. The borrowers are typically the largest employers in its defined marketplace and, due to the size of the economies in Houston and the Dallas-Fort Worth areas, there are a large number of attractive borrowers headquartered in its primary markets. The Company takes a disciplined approach to lending in this market segment. Its criteria are: the borrower generally has to be located in the State of Texas; the Company has to have access to executive management of the borrower; all credit extensions are based on a relationship banking approach whereby the Company expects to gain additional fee income or depository business within a reasonable period of time; and regular relationship profitability reviews are conducted with the goal that only borrowers using multiple banking services are retained. Deposits related to this market total approximately \$335 million, with credit related fee income of \$6.5 million and non-credit related fee income of \$6 million realized in 2004.

The following table summarizes the loan portfolio of the Company by major category as of the dates indicated:

					Decembe	r 31,				
	2004		2003		2002		2001		2000	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
				"	(Dollars in th	ousands)				
Commercial and industrial	\$2,048,460	45.12%	\$1,500,304	42.96%	\$1,296,849	41.59%	\$1,084,114	40.56% \$	954,912	39.37%
Real estate:	1				4		•			
Construction and land development	796,541	17.55	706,546	20.24	748,272	24.00	698,423	26.13	641,128	26.43
1-4 family residential	729,173	16.06	567,009	16.24	447,534	14.35	344,133	12.88	335,934	13.85
Commercial	755,929	16.65	521,254	14.93	458,033	14.69	320,336	11.99	265,534	10.95
Farmland	13,414	0.30	11,140	0.32	7,679	0.25	4,854	0.18	5,753	0.24
Other	62,889	1.39	41,854	1.20	21,693	0.70	25,884	0.97	31,861	1.31
Consumer	133,172	2.93	143,566	4.11	137,891	4.42	194,714	7.29	190,376	7.85
Total loans held for investment	\$4,539,578	100.00%	\$3,491,673	100.00%	\$3,117,951	100.00%	\$2,672,458	100.00% \$	2,425,498	100.00%

The primary lending focus of the Company is on small- and medium-sized commercial, construction and land development, residential mortgage, and consumer loans. The Company offers a variety of commercial lending products including term loans, lines of credit, and equipment financing. A broad range of short- to medium-term commercial loans, both collateralized and uncollateralized, are made available to businesses for working capital (including inventory and receivables), business expansion (including acquisitions of real estate and improvements), and the purchase of equipment and machinery. The purpose of a particular loan generally determines its structure.

The Company's commercial loans are generally underwritten on the basis of the borrower's ability to service such debt from cash flow. As a general practice, the Company takes as collateral a lien on any available real estate, equipment, accounts receivable, inventory, or other assets and personal guarantees of company owners or project sponsors. Working capital loans are primarily collateralized by short-term assets, whereas term loans are primarily collateralized by long-term assets.

A substantial portion of the Company's real estate loans consists of loans collateralized by real estate, other assets, and personal guarantees of company owners or project sponsors. Additionally, a portion of the Company's lending activity consists of the origination of single-family residential mortgage loans collateralized by owner-occupied properties located in the Company's primary market area. The Company offers a variety of mortgage loan products which generally are amortized over 10 to 30 years.

Loans collateralized by single-family residential real estate are typically originated in amounts of no more than 90% of appraised value. The Company typically requires mortgage title insurance and hazard insurance in the amount of the loan. Although the contractual loan payment periods for single-family residential real estate loans are generally for a 10 to 30 year period, such loans often remain outstanding for significantly shorter periods than their contractual terms. The Company also offers home improvement loans and home equity loans collateralized by single-family residential real estate. The terms of these loans typically range from three to 15 years.

The Company originates residential and commercial mortgage loans to sell to investors with servicing rights retained. The Company also provides residential and commercial construction financing to builders and developers and acts as a broker in the origination of multi-family and commercial real estate loans.

Residential construction financing to builders generally has been originated in amounts of no more than 80% of appraised value. The Company requires a mortgage title binder and builder's risk insurance in the amount of the loan. The contractual loan payment periods for residential constructions loans are generally for a six to eighteen month period.

Consumer loans originated by the Company include automobile loans, recreational vehicle loans, boat loans, personal loans (collateralized and uncollateralized), and deposit account collateralized loans. The terms of these loans typically range from 12 to 84 months and vary based upon the nature of collateral and size of loan.

The contractual maturity ranges of the commercial and industrial and funded real estate construction and land development loan portfolio and the amount of such loans with fixed interest rates and floating interest rates in each maturity range as of December 31, 2004 are summarized in the following table:

	December 31, 2004						
	One Year or Less	After One Through Five Years	After Five Years	Total			
Commercial and industrial	\$ 997,035	\$ 867,539	\$183,886	\$2,048,460			
Real estate construction and land development	438,487	337,394	20,660	796,541			
Total	\$1,435,522	\$1,204,933	\$204,546	\$2,845,001			
Loans with a fixed interest rate	\$ 255,587	\$ 328,800	\$ 53,570	\$ 637,957			
Loans with a floating interest rate	1,179,935	876,133	150,976	2,207,044			
Total	\$1,435,522	<u>\$1,204,933</u>	<u>\$204,546</u>	<u>\$2,845,001</u>			

Loans Held for Sale

Loans held for sale of \$107.4 million at December 31, 2004 increased from \$96.9 million at December 31, 2003. These loans are primarily single family residential loans and are carried at the lower of cost or market. The market value of these loans is impacted by changes in current interest rates. An increase in interest rates would result in a decrease in the market value of these loans while a decrease in interest rates would result in an increase in the market value of these loans. The business of originating and selling loans is conducted by the Company's mortgage segment.

Credit Management

The Company's loan review procedures include a credit quality assurance process that includes approval by the Board of Directors of lending policies and underwriting guidelines, a loan review department staffed, in part, with OCC experienced personnel, low individual lending limits for officers, loan committee approval for credit relationships in excess of \$4.0 million, and a quality control process for loan documentation. The Company also maintains a monitoring process for credit extensions in excess of \$100,000. The Company performs quarterly concentration analyses based on various factors such as industries, collateral types, business lines, large credit sizes, international credit exposure and officer portfolio loads. The Company has established underwriting guidelines to be followed by its officers. The Company also monitors its delinquency levels for any negative or adverse trends. The Company continues to invest in its credit risk management systems to enhance its risk management capabilities.

The Company's loan portfolio is well diversified by industry type but is generally concentrated in the eight county region defined as its primary market area. Historically, the Houston metropolitan area has been affected both positively and negatively by conditions in the energy industry. The Greater Houston Partnership reports that approximately 31% of economic activity currently is related to the upstream energy industry, down from 69% in 1981. Since the mid-1980's, the economic impact of changes in the energy industry has been lessened due to the diversification of the Houston economy driven by growth in such economic entities as the Texas Medical Center, the Port of Houston, the Johnson Space Center, and government infrastructure spending to support the population and job growth in the Houston area. As a result, the economy of the Company's primary market area has become increasingly affected by changes in the national and international economies.

The Company monitors changes in the level of energy prices, real estate values, borrower collateral, and the level of local, regional, national, and international economic activity. There can be no assurance, however, the Company's loan portfolio will not become subject to increasing pressures from deteriorating borrower credit due to changes in general economic conditions.

Allowance for Credit Losses

The allowance for credit losses represents management's estimate of probable losses inherent in various on- and off-balance sheet financial instruments. The allowance is established through a provision for credit losses based on management's evaluation of the risk inherent in the loan portfolio and in unfunded commitments. The allowance is increased by provisions charged against current earnings and reduced by net charge-offs. Loans are charged off when they are deemed to be uncollectible; recoveries are recorded only when cash payments are received.

At least quarterly, the Company's Allowance for Loan Losses Committee and the Board Loan Committee review the allowance for credit losses relative to the risk profile of the Company's loan portfolio and unfunded commitments. The allowance is adjusted based on that review if changes are warranted.

The allowance has several components, which include specific reserves, migration analysis reserves, qualitative adjustments, a general reserve component, and a separate reserve for international, cross-border risk (allocated transfer risk reserve "ATRR").

Specific reserves cover those loans that are nonperforming or impaired. All impaired loans are evaluated per SFAS No. 114, Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan ("SFAS No. 114"). For impaired loans greater than or equal to \$1.0 million, an allowance is established when the present value of the discounted expected cash flows (or collateral value or observable market price) is lower than the carrying value of that loan. For impaired loans less than \$1.0 million, a determination is made as to the ultimate collectibility of the loan and a reserve is established for any expected shortfall.

Migration analysis reserves cover performing loans both classified and non-classified, excluding those loans specifically evaluated for impairment reserve applicability. The migration reserve is established for commercial real estate and commercial non-real estate loans by analyzing historical loss experience by internal risk rating. The migration analysis reserve for consumer loans is established by analyzing historical loss experience by collateral type.

Qualitative adjustments serve to modify the migration analysis reserves after considering various internal and external factors that management believes may have a material impact on the loss probabilities within the loan portfolio. The qualitative factors include, but are not limited to, economic factors affecting the Bank's primary market area, changes in the nature and volume of the loan and lease portfolio, the composition of unfunded commitments, concentrations of credit within industries and lines of business, the experience level of the lending management and staff, and the quality of the Bank's credit risk management systems.

The general reserve covers general economic uncertainties as well as the imprecision inherent in any loan loss forecasting methodology. It will vary over time depending on existing economic, industry, organization, and portfolio conditions.

The qualitative adjustments, ATRR, and general reserve are allocated to the loan portfolio categories on a risk adjusted, pro-rata basis utilizing the relative reserve contributions of each portfolio segment based on the migration analysis.

The Company also maintains a reserve for unfunded commitments to provide for the risk of loss inherent in its unfunded lending related commitments. In the fourth quarter of 2004, the allowance for losses on lending related commitments was reclassified from the allowance for loan losses to other liabilities. Previously reported amounts were reclassified to conform to the current presentation. The reclassifications had no effect on net income or shareholders' equity.

The allowance for credit losses increased by \$8.3 million from December 31, 2003 as a result of the increase in loans held for investment, net charge-offs of \$5.9 million, the allowance for loan losses acquired

through the mergers with Reunion and Klein of \$3.5 million, provision for loan losses of \$10.2 million, and provision for unfunded lending commitments of \$454,000. At December 31, 2004, the allowance for credit losses was 1.11% of period-end loans, a decrease from 1.23% at December 31, 2003. For the year ended December 31, 2004, net charge-offs to average loans was 0.15%. The net charge-offs average for all FDIC insured commercial banks was 0.61% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

Management believes that the allowance for credit losses at December 31, 2004 is adequate to cover probable losses inherent in the loan and commitment portfolio as of such date. There can be no assurance, however, that the Company will not sustain losses in future periods which could be greater than the size of the allowance as of December 31, 2004.

The following table presents, for the periods indicated, an analysis of the allowance for credit losses and other related data:

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000		
		-	ars in thousan				
Allowance for loan losses, beginning balance	\$41,611	\$35,449	\$30,856	\$27,665	\$22,044		
Provision for loan losses	10,212	11,850	11,037	7,451	6,960		
Charge-offs: Commercial and industrial	(3,995)	(2,986)	(5,784)	(3,663)	(714)		
Real estate:	(3,993)	(2,700)	(3,764)	(3,003)	(/14)		
Construction and land development	(54)	(34)	(107)	(65)	(208)		
1-4 family residential	(1,070)	(252)	(126)	(Ì71)	` - -		
Commercial	_	(911)	(38)				
Farmland	(2.017)	(2.742)	((1)	(04)	(100)		
Other	(2,017) (1,896)	(2,742) (1,340)	(64) (973)	(94) (1,037)	(100) (1,071)		
Total charge-offs	(9,032)	(8,265)	<u>(7,092</u>)	(5,030)	(2,093)		
Recoveries: Commercial and industrial	635	203	235	265	485		
Real estate:	033	203	233	203	703		
Construction and land development	1	_	_		7		
1-4 family residential	106	_	14	59	_		
Commercial			_	-			
Farmland	1,700	378	136	 51			
Other	705	570	351	395	262		
Total recoveries	3,147	1,151	736	770	754		
Net charge-offs	$\frac{-5,147}{(5,885)}$	$\frac{-1,131}{(7,114)}$	$\frac{750}{(6,356)}$	$\frac{770}{(4,260)}$	$\frac{734}{(1,339)}$		
Allowance acquired through mergers and	(3,003)	(7,114)	(0,550)	(4,200)	(1,557)		
acquisitions	3,470	1,426			_		
Adjustment for sale of subsidiary			(88)				
Allowance for loan losses, ending balance	49,408	41,611	35,449	30,856	27,665		
Reserve for unfunded lending commitments,							
beginning balance	1,397	1,247	534	485	392		
Provision for unfunded lending commitments	454	150	713	<u>49</u>	93		
Reserve for unfunded lending commitments, ending	. 051	. 205	1 2 4 77	524	40.5		
balance	1,851	1,397	1,247	534	485		
Allowance for credit losses	<u>\$51,259</u>	\$43,008	\$36,696	<u>\$31,390</u>	\$28,150		
Allowance for loan losses:							
as a % of period-end loans	1.07%	1.19%	1.14%	1.15%	1.14%		
as a % of period-end nonperforming loans Allowance for credit losses:	304.50%	326.57%	236.50%	233.78%	292.69%		
as a % of period-end loans	1.11%	1.23%	1.18%	1.17%	1.16%		
Net charge-offs as a % of average loans	0.15%	0.22%	0.22%	0.17%	0.06%		

The following table reflects the distribution of the allowance for loan losses among various categories of loans based on collateral types for the dates indicated. The Company has allocated portions of its general allowance for loan losses to cover the estimated losses inherent in particular risk categories of loans. This allocation is made for analytical purposes and is not necessarily indicative of the categories in which loan losses may occur. The total allowance is available to absorb losses from any category of loans.

			•		Dece	mber 31,				
		2004		2003 200		002 2001		2000		
	Amount	Percent of Loans to Total Loans	Amount	Percent of Loans to Total Loans	Amount	Percent of Loans to Total Loans	Amount	Percent of Loans to Total Loans	Amount	Percent of Loans to Total Loans
					(Dollars i	n thousands)				
Balance of allowance for loan losses applicable to: Commercial and industrial	\$26,285	45.12%	\$24,762	42.96%	\$15,094	41.59%	\$13,321	40.56%	\$12,012	39.37%
Construction and land development	7,547	17.55	5,208	20.24	6,512	24.00	7,244	26.13	5,594	26.43
1-4 family residential	6,569	16.06	2,241	16.24	3,827	14.35	2,621	12.88	3,221	13.85
Commercial	5,778	16.65	4,962	14.93	5,676	14.69	3,328	11.99	2,618	10.95
Farmland	156	0.30	34	0.32	50	0.25	33	0.18	39	0.24
Other	868 2,205	1.39 2.93	2,448 1,956	1.20 4.11	1,028 3,262	0.70 4.42	1,104 3,205	0.97 	1,246 2,935	1.31 7.85
Total allowance for loan losses	\$49,408	100.00%	\$41,611	100.00%	\$35,449	100.00%	\$30,856	100.00%	\$27,665	100.00%

Nonperforming Assets and Impaired Loans

Nonperforming assets, which include nonaccrual loans, accruing loans 90 or more days past due, restructured loans, and other real estate and foreclosed property, were \$25.1 million at December 31, 2004, compared with \$17.0 million at December 31, 2003 and \$15.7 million at December 31, 2002. This resulted in a ratio of nonperforming assets to loans and other real estate of 0.55%, 0.49%, and 0.50% at December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. The increase in nonperforming assets is primarily due to an increase in other real estate and foreclosed property of \$4.7 million to \$8.9 million at December 31, 2004 compared with \$4.2 million at December 31, 2003. The increase in other real estate and foreclosed property is primarily caused by the foreclosure on a retail shopping center during 2004. Nonaccrual loans, the largest component of nonperforming assets, were \$14.2 million at December 31, 2004, an increase of \$2.8 million from \$11.4 million at December 31, 2003. The increase is primarily due to the addition of one middle market commercial credit in the amount of \$3.5 million to nonaccrual status during the fourth quarter of 2004.

The following table presents information regarding nonperforming assets as of the dates indicated:

	December 31,							
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000			
Nonaccrual loans	\$14,174	\$11,443	\$13,113	\$11,020	\$8,345			
Accruing loans 90 or more days past due	2,052	1,299	1,876	2,179	1,107			
Restructured loans	_							
Other real estate and foreclosed property	8,887	4,248	760	1,037	454			
Total nonperforming assets	<u>\$25,113</u>	\$16,990	\$15,749	\$14,236	\$9,906			
Nonperforming assets to loans and other real estate	0.55%	0.49%	0.50%	0.53%	0.41%			

Loans on which the accrual of interest has been discontinued are designated as nonaccrual loans. Loans are designated as nonaccrual when reasonable doubt exists as to the full collection of interest and principal. When a loan is placed on nonaccrual status, all interest previously accrued but not collected is reversed against

current period interest income. Income on such loans is then recognized only to the extent that cash is received and where the future collection of interest and principal is probable. Interest accruals are resumed on such loans only when they are brought fully current with respect to interest and principal and when, in the judgment of management, the loans are estimated to be fully collectible as to both principal and interest. Gross interest income on nonaccrual loans that would have been recorded had these loans been performing as agreed was \$1.2 million, \$1.1 million, and \$1.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively.

The Company regularly updates appraisals on loans collateralized by real estate, particularly those categorized as nonperforming loans and potential problem loans. In instances where updated appraisals reflect reduced collateral values, an evaluation is made to determine the need, if any, for possible writedowns or appropriate additions to the allowance for loan losses.

A loan is considered impaired, based on current information and events, if management believes that the Company will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. All amounts due according to the contractual terms means that both the contractual interest payments and the contractual principal payments of a loan will be collected as scheduled on the loan agreement. An insignificant delay or insignificant shortfall in the amount of payment does not require a loan to be considered impaired. If the measure of the impaired loan is less than the recorded investment in the loan, a specific reserve is established for the shortfall as a component of the Company's allowance for loan loss methodology. The Company considers all nonaccrual loans to be impaired.

The following is a summary of loans considered to be impaired:

	Decem	ber 31,
	2004	2003
	(Dollars in	thousands)
Impaired loans with no SFAS No. 114 valuation reserve	\$ 4,342	\$ 8,838
Impaired loans with a SFAS No. 114 valuation reserve	20,944	7,970
Total recorded investment in impaired loans	<u>\$25,286</u>	<u>\$16,808</u>
Valuation allowance related to impaired loans	\$ 5,848	\$ 2,768

The average recorded investment in impaired loans during 2004, 2003, and 2002 was \$21.0 million, \$19.9 million, and \$22.1 million, respectively. Interest income on impaired loans of \$170,000, \$0, and \$178,000 was recognized for cash payments received in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The increase in the valuation allowance related to impaired loans is the result of an increase in the recorded investment in impaired loans from \$16.8 million at December 31, 2003 to \$25.3 million at December 31, 2004.

Securities

At the date of purchase, the Company classifies debt and equity securities into one of three categories: held to maturity, trading, or available for sale. At each reporting date, the appropriateness of the classification is reassessed. Investments in debt securities classified as held to maturity are stated at cost, increased by accretion of discounts and reduced by amortization of premiums, both computed by the interest method, only if management has the positive intent and ability to hold those securities to maturity. Securities that are bought and held principally for the purpose of selling them in the near term are classified as trading and measured at fair value in the financial statements with unrealized gains and losses included in earnings. Securities not classified as either held to maturity or trading are classified as available for sale and measured at fair value in the financial statements with unrealized gains and losses reported, net of tax, as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) until realized. Gains and losses on sales of securities are determined using the specific-identification method.

The amortized cost of securities classified as available for sale and held to maturity is as follows:

	December 31,							
	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000			
	(Dollars in thousands)							
Available for sale:								
U.S. Government and agency securities	\$ 388,061	\$ 250,359	\$ 142.032	\$ 50,860	\$169,069			
Mortgage-backed securities	1,237,420	1,101,988	869,872	872,974	618,523			
Municipal securities	246,705	152,927	105,143	85,047	27,920			
Federal Reserve Bank stock	8,511	4,459	4,431	4,230	3,949			
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	32,772	25,469	27,188	7,939	17,972			
Other securities	17,196	9,455	30,777	41,169	15,491			
Total securities available for sale	\$1,930,665	<u>\$1,544,657</u>	\$1,179,443	\$1,062,219	<u>\$852,924</u>			
Held to maturity:								
Mortgage-backed securities	\$ 58,033	<u> </u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>			
Total securities held to maturity	\$ 58,033	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>			

The amortized cost and approximate fair value of securities classified as available for sale and held to maturity is as follows:

	December 31, 2004				December 31, 2003			December 31, 2002				
	Amortized	Gross L	Inrealized	Fair	Amortized	amortized Gross Unrealized Fair	Amortized Gross Unrealized			Fair		
	Cost	Gain	Loss	Value	Cost	Gain	Loss	Value	Cost	Gain	Loss	Value
	(Dollars in thousands)											
Available for sale:											,	
U.S. Government and	* ***											
agency securities	\$ 388,061	\$ 246	\$ (2,623)\$	385,684	\$ 250,359	\$ 841	\$ (102)	5 251,098	\$ 142,032	\$ 1,323	\$ - \$	143,355
Mortgage-backed securities	1,237,420	3,820	(11,076)	1,230,164	1,101,988	7,078	(8,320)	1,100,746	869,872	18,077	(1,194)	886,755
Municipal securities	246,705	7,564	(1,392)	252,877	152,927	5,905	(754)	158,078	105,143	3,634	(190)	108,587
Federal Reserve Bank stock	8,511	_	_	8,511	4,459		_	4,459	4,431	_		4,431
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	32,772	_	_	32,772	25,469			25,469	27,188	_		27,188
Other securities	17,196			17,196	9,455	93		9,548	30,777	107		30,884
Total securities available for sale	\$1,930,665	\$11,630	<u>\$(15,091)</u>	31,927,204	<u>\$1,544,657</u>	<u>\$13,917</u>	<u>\$(9,176)</u>	\$1,549,398	\$1,179,443	\$23,141	<u>\$(1,384)</u>	1,201,200
Held to maturity:												
Mortgage-backed securities	\$ 58,033	\$ 536	<u>\$ \$</u>	58,569	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ - 5</u>	<u> </u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ _ \$</u>	
Total securities held to maturity	\$ 58,033	<u>\$ 536</u>	<u>\$\$</u>	58,569	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$</u> \$	<u> </u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ _ \$</u>	_

The following table displays the gross unrealized losses and fair value of investments as of December 31, 2004 that were in a continuous unrealized loss position for the periods indicated:

	Less Than 12 Months		Greater Than	n 12 Months	Total				
	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss			
	(Dollars in thousands)								
U.S. Government and agency securities	\$ 272,478	\$ (2,623)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 272,478	\$ (2,623)			
Mortgage-backed securities	722,889	(7,035)	202,543	(4,041)	925,432	(11,076)			
Municipal securities	56,349	(1,048)	12,668	(344)	69,017	<u>(1,392</u>)			
Total	\$1,051,716	<u>\$(10,706)</u>	\$215,211	<u>\$(4,385)</u>	\$1,266,927	<u>\$(15,091</u>)			

Declines in the fair value of individual securities below their cost that are other than temporary would result in write-downs, as a realized loss, of the individual securities to their fair value. Management believes that based upon the credit quality of the debt securities and the Company's intent and ability to hold the securities until their recovery, none of the unrealized loss on securities should be considered other than temporary.

Securities were \$1.99 billion at December 31, 2004, an increase of \$435.8 from \$1.55 billion at December 31, 2003. During 2003, securities increased \$348.2 million from \$1.20 billion at December 31, 2002. The average taxable-equivalent yield on the securities portfolio for 2004 was 4.09%, while the average taxable-equivalent yield was 3.87% in 2003.

Included in the Company's mortgage-backed securities at December 31, 2004 were agency issued collateral mortgage obligations with a book value and a fair value of \$4.1 million and non-agency issued collateral mortgage obligations with a book value of \$17.4 million and fair value of \$17.2 million.

At December 31, 2004, \$39.4 million of the mortgage-backed securities held by the Company had final maturities of more than 10 years. At December 31, 2004, approximately \$67.3 million of the Company's mortgage-backed securities earned interest at floating rates and will reprice within one year and, accordingly, were less susceptible to declines in value should interest rates increase.

At December 31, 2004, there were no securities of a single issuer, other than U.S. government-sponsored agency securities, which exceeded 10% of shareholders' equity.

The following table summarizes the maturity distribution schedule of investments and their weighted average yields at December 31, 2004. The yield on the securities portfolio includes amounts to convert tax-exempt income to a taxable-equivalent basis, assuming a 35% tax rate. Mortgage-backed securities are assigned to maturity categories based on their estimated average lives. Equity securities, which have no maturity date, are included in the within one year category. The yield on the securities portfolio is based on average historical cost balances and does not give effect to changes in fair value that are reflected as a separate component of other comprehensive income.

					December	31, 2004				
	Within O	ne Year	After One within Five	After Five within Te			n Years			
	Amortized Cost	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Amortized Cost	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Amortized Cost	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Amortized Cost	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Total	Yield ⁽¹⁾
					(Dollars in	thousands)				
Available for sale:										
U.S. Government and agency securities	\$109,651	3.82%	\$ 272,306	3.40%	\$ 6,104	3.92%	\$ —	%	\$ 388,061	3.53%
Mortgage-backed securities	46,467	2.74	746,974	4.48	404,576	4.14%	39,403	3.98%	1,237,420	4.28
Municipal securities	2,732	6.37	29,503	6.49	118,847	6.44%	95,623	6.82%	246,705	6.59
Federal Reserve Bank stock	8,511	6.00		. —	_	. 		_	8,511	6.00
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	32,772	1.92		<u>.</u>	_		_		32,772	1.92
Other securities	17,196	1.82	_	_	_	· — ·		_ '	17,196	1.82
Federal funds sold	7,695	2,44	_	_	_		, · <u> </u>		7,695	2.44
Interest-bearing deposits	6,722	2.45		_=		· 			6,722	2.45
Total securities available for sale	<u>\$231,746</u>	<u>3.21</u> %	\$1,048,783	4.30%	\$529,527	4.65%	\$135,026	5.99%	\$1,945,082	4.38%
Held to maturity:										
Mortgage-backed securities	<u>\$</u>	%	\$ 58,033	5.13%	\$	%	<u>\$</u>	%	\$ 58,033	5.13%
Total securities held to maturity	<u> </u>	% %	\$ 58,033	5.13%	<u>\$</u>	%	<u>\$</u>	<u></u> %	\$ 58,033	<u>5.13</u> %

⁽¹⁾ Taxable-equivalent rates used where applicable.

Other Assets

Other assets were \$209.1 million at December 31, 2004, an increase of \$15.5 million from \$193.6 million at December 31, 2003. This increase is primarily attributable to increases in the cash value of Bank-owned life insurance policies, other real estate and foreclosed property, and investments in unconsolidated equity investees. The cash value of Bank-owned life insurance policies was \$127.2 million at December 31, 2004, an increase of \$5.5 million, or 5%, from \$121.7 million at December 31, 2003. This increase is due to cash value earnings on Bank-owned life insurance. Other real estate and foreclosed property was \$8.9 million at December 31, 2004, an increase of \$4.6 million, or 109%, from \$4.2 million at December 31, 2003. This increase primarily resulted from the foreclosure of a retail shopping center during 2004. Investments in unconsolidated investees was \$10.0 million at December 31, 2004, an increase of \$5.1 million, or 113%, from \$4.5 million at December 31, 2003. The increase is primarily due to additional capital contributions to these investees.

Deposits

The Company offers a variety of deposit accounts having a wide range of interest rates and terms. The Company's deposits consist of demand, savings, interest-bearing demand, money market, and time accounts.

The Company relies primarily on its product and service offerings, high quality customer service, advertising, and competitive pricing policies to attract and retain these deposits. Deposits provide the primary source of funding for the Company's lending and investment activities, and the interest paid for deposits must be managed carefully to control the level of interest expense.

The Company had \$121.3 million and \$156.4 million of its deposits classified as brokered funds at December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively. The Bank's brokered deposits are attributable to a major treasury management relationship whereby the Bank provides banking and treasury management services to mortgage companies throughout the United States. Under this relationship, a referring source, whose business is to lend money to mortgage companies, introduces its customers to the Bank. Deposits garnered as a result of those introductions are classified as brokered deposits for financial and regulatory reporting purposes. The sponsor of this relationship has given notice to the Company that it will be ending this relationship with the Bank as of March 31, 2005. The Company anticipates replacing these deposits through its normal funding activities.

The Company's ratio of average noninterest-bearing demand deposits to average total deposits for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, 2002 was 33%, 31%, and 29%, respectively.

Average total deposits during 2004 increased to \$4.84 billion from \$4.12 billion in 2003, an increase of \$722.5 million, or 18%. Average total deposits related to the former Reunion and Klein branches were approximately \$331.7 million for 2004. Average noninterest-bearing deposits increased to \$1.61 billion in 2004 from \$1.28 billion in 2003. Average total deposits in 2003 rose to \$4.12 billion from \$3.47 billion in 2002, an increase of \$648.7 million, or 19%.

The average daily balances and weighted average rates paid on deposits for each of the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 are presented below:

	Year Ended December 31,							
	2004		2003		2002			
	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate		
			(Dollars in tho	usands)				
Interest-bearing demand	\$ 81,286	0.38%	\$ 45,493	0.22%	\$ 34,409	0.23%		
Regular savings	158,030	0.30	115,211	0.33	94,388	0.88		
Premium yield	1,011,355	0.92	847,045	0.96	830,690	1.61		
Money market savings	876,408	0.80	827,816	0.80	593,691	1.04		
Time deposits less than \$100,000	279,653	2.44	283,670	2.67	293,752	3.63		
Time deposits \$100,000 and over	730,845	1.86	629,749	1.85	553,666	2.69		
IRA's, QRP's and other	95,358	2.51	91,509	2.74	78,583	3.73		
Total interest-bearing deposits	3,232,935	1.23%	2,840,493	1.30%	2,479,179	<u>1.97</u> %		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	1,611,636		1,281,546		994,113			
Total deposits	\$4,844,571		\$4,122,039		\$3,473,292			

The following table sets forth the maturity of the Company's time deposits that are \$100,000 or greater as of the dates indicated:

	December 31,				
	2004	2003	2002		
	(Dollars in thousands)				
3 months or less	\$655,571	\$417,384	\$285,071		
Between 3 months and 6 months	95,186	60,101	56,087		
Between 6 months and 1 year	76,703	78,948	68,934		
Over 1 year	116,823	86,157	108,016		
Total time deposits \$100,000 and over	\$944,283	<u>\$642,590</u>	\$518,108		

Short-term Borrowings

Securities sold under repurchase agreements and short-term borrowings generally represent borrowings with maturities ranging from one to thirty days. Short-term borrowings consist of federal funds purchased, overnight borrowings with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas ("the FHLB"), and U.S. Treasury demand notes. U.S. Treasury demand notes represent borrowings from the U.S. Treasury that are secured by qualifying securities and commercial loans and are placed at the discretion of the U.S. Treasury. Information relating to these borrowings for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 is summarized as follows:

	Decemb	per 31,
	2004	2003
	(Dollars in	thousands)
Securities sold under repurchase agreements:		
Average	\$357,692	\$261,320
Period-end	273,344	285,571
Maximum month-end balance during period	518,719	303,764
Interest rate:		
Weighted average for the period	0.96%	0.88%
Weighted average at period-end	1.29%	0.72%
Short-term borrowings:	· ·	
Average	\$543,159	\$276,193
Period-end	759,624	473,154
Maximum month-end balance during period	929,074	473,154
Interest rate:	•	
Weighted average for the period	1.49%	1.11%
Weighted average at period-end	2.19%	0.98%

The Company's reliance on short-term borrowings increased during 2004 as the growth in the loan portfolio exceeded the growth in deposits. It is the Company's intention to maintain a loan to deposit ratio below 90%. Deposit growth is fostered through active deposit generating campaigns, advertising, the sale of treasury management products to commercial customers, and merger activity focusing on banking companies with attractive core deposit franchises.

Interest Rate Sensitivity

Asset and liability management is concerned with the timing and magnitude of the repricing of assets as compared to liabilities. It is the objective of the Company to generate stable growth in net interest income and to attempt to control risks associated with interest rate movements. In general, management's strategy is to reduce the impact of changes in interest rates on its net interest income by maintaining a favorable match between the maturities or repricing dates of its interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. The Company adjusts its interest sensitivity during the year through changes in the mix of assets and liabilities and may use interest rate products such as interest rate swap and cap agreements. The Company's asset and liability management strategy is formulated and monitored by the Asset Liability Management Committee ("the ALCO"), which is composed of senior officers of the Bank and one independent director, in accordance with the committee's policies approved by the Bank's Board of Directors. The ALCO meets monthly to review, among other things, the sensitivity of the Bank's assets and liabilities to interest rate changes, the book and market values of assets and liabilities, unrealized gains and losses, purchase and sale activity, and maturities of investments and borrowings. The ALCO also establishes pricing and funding decisions with respect to the Bank's overall asset and liability composition. The ALCO reviews the Bank's liquidity, cash flow flexibility, maturities of investments, deposits and borrowings, retail and institutional deposit activity, current market conditions, and interest rates on both a local and national level.

To effectively measure and manage interest rate risk, the Company uses simulation analysis to determine the impact on net interest income of changes in interest rates under various interest rate scenarios, balance sheet trends, and strategies. From these simulations, interest rate risk is quantified and appropriate strategies are developed and implemented.

The following table presents an analysis of the sensitivity inherent in the Company's net interest income and market value of portfolio equity. The data used to prepare the table is as of December 31, 2004, which may not be representative of average balances at any other time period. This analysis is reviewed by management on a monthly basis. The results are impacted by changes in the composition of the balance sheet. Management believes that, based on available information, the Bank has been and will continue to be slightly asset sensitive. The interest rate scenarios presented in the table include interest rates at December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 and as adjusted by instantaneous rate changes upward and downward of up to 200 basis points. Each rate scenario reflects unique prepayment and repricing assumptions. Since there are limitations inherent in any methodology used to estimate the exposure to changes in market interest rates, this analysis is not intended to be a forecast of the actual effect of a change in market interest rates on the Company. The market value sensitivity analysis presented includes assumptions that (i) the composition of the Company's interest sensitive assets and liabilities existing at year end will remain constant over the twelve month measurement period; and (ii) that changes in market rates are parallel and instantaneous across the yield curve regardless of duration or repricing characteristics of specific assets or liabilities. Further, the analysis does not contemplate any actions that the Company might undertake in response to changes in market interest rates. Accordingly, this analysis is not intended and does not provide a precise forecast of the effect actual changes in market rates will have on the Company.

		Change in	Interest r	tates	
	-200	-100		+100	+200
Impact on net interest income:			•		
Next 12 months:					
December 31, 2004	(5.69)%	(0.93)%	0.00%	2.03%	3.88%
December 31, 2003	(11.69)%	(1.20)%	0.00%	1.23%	3.33%
December 31, 2002	(17:22)%	(6.17)%	0.00%	4.39%	6.83%
Months 13 to 24:					
December 31, 2004			0.00%	3.60%	6.82%
December 31, 2003	(18.97)%	(4.37)%	0.00%	3.37%	6.65%
December 31, 2002	(20.26)%	(7.13)%	0.00%	5.36%	8.42%
Impact on market value of portfolio equity:			•		
December 31, 2004	(8.21)%	(1.78)%	0.00%	(0.16)%	(0.67)%
December 31, 2003	(9.60)%	(2.49)%	0.00%	(0.32)%	(0.39)%
December 31, 2002	(10.27)%	(5.34)%	0.00%	2.44%	0.64%

Change in Interest Rates

Interest rate sensitivity ("GAP") is defined as the difference between interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities maturing or repricing within a given time period. A GAP is considered positive when the amount of interest rate sensitive assets exceeds the amount of interest rate sensitive liabilities. A GAP is considered negative when the amount of interest rate sensitive liabilities exceeds interest rate sensitive assets. During a period of rising interest rates, a negative GAP would tend to adversely affect net interest income, while a positive GAP would tend to result in an increase in net interest income, while a positive GAP would tend to affect net interest income adversely. While GAP is a useful measurement and contributes toward effective asset and liability management, it is difficult to predict the effect of changing interest rates solely on that measure. For this reason, the Company relies on simulation analysis to manage interest rate risk. Because different types of assets and liabilities with the same or similar maturities may react differently to changes in overall market rates or conditions, changes in interest rates may affect net interest income positively or negatively even if an institution were perfectly matched in each maturity category.

The Company's one-year cumulative GAP position at December 31, 2004 was a positive \$756.7 million or 10.09% of assets. This is a one-day position that is continually changing and is not indicative of the Company's position at any other time. While the GAP position is a useful tool in measuring interest rate risk and contributes toward effective asset and liability management, shortcomings are inherent in GAP analysis since certain assets and liabilities may not move proportionally as interest rates change.

The following table sets forth an interest rate sensitivity analysis for the Company as of December 31, 2004 and 2003.

	0-90 Days	91-364 Days	One Year to Three Years	More than Three Years	Total Rate Sensitive	Total Non- Rate Sensitive	Total
			(I	Oollars in thousa	nds)		
Cash and due from banks	\$ —	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ —	·\$ —	\$ 327,558	\$ 327,558
Federal funds sold and other cash equivalents	14,417	_			14,417		14,417
Securities	58,095	116,993	394,883	1,415,266	1,985,237		1,985,237
Loans	3,240,935	401,154	506,275	484,444	4,632,808	14,174	4,646,982
Allowance for loan losses		:	_	_	_	(49,408)	(49,408)
Other assets	127,189		·	. —	127,189	453,628	580,817
Total assets	\$3,440,636	\$ 518,147	\$901,158	\$1,899,710	\$6,759,651	\$ 745,952	\$7,505,603
Deposits	\$1,168,546	\$ 773,565	\$738,624	\$1,068,080	\$3,748,815	\$1,871,228	\$5,620,043
Securities sold under repurchase agreements and other borrowings	1,033,091	2,380	1,127	6,780	1,043,378		1,043,378
Senior subordinated debentures	75,000	<u>.</u>	_	_	75,000	_	75,000
Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures	149,486			_	149,486	_	149,486
Other liabilities	. –	. —	_	_	,	37,282	37,282
Shareholders' equity						580,414	580,414
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$2,426,123</u>	\$ 775,945	\$739,751	\$1,074,860	\$5,016,679	\$2,488,924	\$7,505,603
Period GAP	\$1,014,513	\$(257,798)	\$161,407	\$ 824,850	\$1,742,972		
Cumulative GAP			\$918,122	\$1,742,972	\$1,742,972		
Period GAP to total assets		•				1	
Cumulative GAP to total assets	13.52%	6 10.09%	12.24%	23.23%	23.23%		
As of December 31, 2003						•	
Period GAP	\$ 470,958	\$(108,540)	\$489,436	\$ 462,450	\$1,314,304		
Cumulative GAP	\$ 470,958	\$ 362,418	\$851,854	\$1,314,304	\$1,314,304		
Period GAP to total assets							
Cumulative GAP to total assets	7.92%			22.10%	22.10%		

Liquidity

Liquidity management involves maintaining sufficient cash levels to fund operations and to meet the requirements of borrowers, depositors, and creditors. The objective of liquidity risk management is to ensure that the cash flow requirements of depositors and borrowers, as well as the operating cash needs of the Company, are met a reasonable cost. The Company maintains a liquidity risk management policy which identifies the primary sources of liquidity, establishes procedures for monitoring and measuring liquidity, and establishes minimum liquidity requirements in compliance with regulatory guidance. The policy also includes a contingency funding plan to address liquidity needs in the event of an institution-specific or a systemic

financial crisis. The liquidity position is continually monitored by the ALCO. Higher levels of liquidity bear higher corresponding costs, measured in terms of lower yields on short-term, more liquid earning assets, and higher interest expense involved in extending liability maturities. Liquid assets include cash and cash equivalents, loans and securities maturing within one year, and money market instruments. In addition, the Company holds securities maturing after one year, which can be sold to meet liquidity needs.

The Company relies primarily on customer deposits, securities portfolio, the capital markets, the FHLB, the U.S. Treasury, and operating cash flow to fund interest-earning assets and other liquidity needs

Maintaining a relatively stable funding base, which is achieved by diversifying funding sources, competitively pricing deposit products, and extending the contractual maturity of liabilities, reduces the Company's exposure to roll over risk on deposits and limits reliance on volatile short-term purchased funds.

Short-term funding needs arise from declines in deposits or other funding sources, funding of loan commitments and requests for new loans. The Company's strategy is to fund assets to the maximum extent possible with core deposits that provide a sizable source of relatively stable and low-cost funds. Core deposits include all deposits, except certificates of deposit and other time deposits of \$100,000 and over. Average core deposits funded approximately 70% of total interest-earning assets for the year ended December 31, 2004 and 72% for the same period in 2003. The decrease in 2004 is a result of the strong loan growth experienced during the year outpacing the growth in core deposits necessitating an increased reliance on non-core deposit sources of funding.

Management believes the Company has sufficient liquidity to meet all reasonable borrower, depositor, and creditor needs in the present economic environment. In addition, the Bank has access to the FHLB for borrowing purposes. The Company has not received any recommendations from regulatory authorities that would materially affect liquidity, capital resources, or operations.

Subject to certain limitations, the Bank may borrow funds from the FHLB in the form of advances. Credit availability from the FHLB to the Bank is based on the Bank's financial and operating condition. Borrowings from the FHLB by the Bank were approximately \$557.4 million at December 31, 2004. The Bank has pledged \$601.7 million of its securities portfolio and \$893.6 million of its loan portfolio as collateral for its borrowings from the FHLB at December 31, 2004. In addition to creditworthiness, the Bank must own a minimum amount of FHLB capital stock. Currently, the minimum is 0.15% of total assets or \$1,000, whichever is greater (not to exceed \$25 million), plus 4.25% of outstanding advance balances plus 4.25% of the outstanding principal balance of Mortgage Partnership Finance Program loans retained on the Bank's balance sheet. Unused borrowing capacity at December 31, 2004 was approximately \$897.4 million. The Bank uses FHLB advances for both long-term and short-term liquidity needs. Other than normal banking operations, the Bank has no long-term liquidity needs. The Bank has not been involved with highly leveraged transactions that may create unusual long-term liquidity needs.

The Company has issued a total of \$149.5 million of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures to three wholly owned statutory business trusts, Statutory Trust I ("Trust I"), Statutory Trust II ("Trust III"), and Statutory Trust III ("Trust III"). Details of the Company's transactions with these trusts are presented below.

Description	Issuance Date	Maturity Date	Trust Preferred Securities Outstanding	Junior Subordinated Debt Owned by Trust	Interest Rate	Interest Rate at December 31, 2004	Redemption Date
				(Dollars			
Statutory Trust I	10/7/2003	12/17/2033	\$ 50,000	\$ 51,547	3-month LIBOR plus 2.85%	5.35%	12/17/2008
Statutory Trust II	9/24/2004	10/7/2034	35,000	36,083	3-month LIBOR plus 1.90%	3.84%	10/7/2009
Statutory Trust III	12/13/2004	12/15/2034	60,000	61,856	3-month LIBOR plus 1.78%	4.24%	12/15/2009
			\$145,000	\$149,486			•

The Debentures are the sole assets of the Trusts and are subordinate to all of the Company's existing and future obligations for borrowed or purchased money, obligations under letters of credit and certain derivative

contracts, and any guarantees by the Company of any of such obligations. The proceeds, net of issuance costs, from these offering were used to fund the cash purchase price for Reunion and Klein and to augment the Company's capital ratios to support its loan growth. See "Note 2 — Merger Related Activity" for further discussion of the mergers.

The trust preferred securities issued by the Trusts are included in the Tier 1 capital of the Company for regulatory capital purposes. The Federal Reserve Board may in the future disallow inclusion of trust preferred securities as Tier 1 capital due to the requirements of FIN No. 46. On February 28, 2005, the Federal Reserve Board issued final rules that provide that trust preferred securities may continue to be included in Tier 1 capital subject to quantitative limitations and to deductions for goodwill less any associated deferred tax liability. As of December 31, 2004, if the Company were not permitted to include the \$145.0 million in trust preferred securities in its Tier 1 capital, the Company would still meet the regulatory minimums required to be adequately capitalized.

See "Note 10 — Subordinated Debentures" and "Note 11 — Securities Sold Under Repurchase Agreements and Other Borrowings" for further discussion of the Company's debentures and borrowings.

Payments due by period for the Company's contractual obligations (other than deposit liabilities with no stated maturity) at December 31, 2004 are presented below. Interest on time deposits and borrowings includes interest on both fixed- and variable-rate obligations. The interest associated with variable-rate obligations is based upon interest rates in effect at December 31, 2004. The contractual amounts to be paid on variable-rate obligations are affected by changes in market rates. Future changes in market interest rates could materially affect the contractual amount to be paid.

	Within One Year	After One but Within Three Years	After Three but Within Five Years	After Five Years	Total		
		(Do	(Dollars in thousands)				
Time deposits	\$1,059,003	\$221,929	\$35,654	\$ 9	\$1,316,595		
Securities sold under repurchase							
agreements	273,344				273,344		
Short-term borrowings	759,624	-	· <u>-</u>	_	759,624		
Long-term borrowings	2,487	1,094	1,676	5,153	10,410		
Senior subordinated debenture				75,000	75,000		
Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures		-		149,486	149,486		
Interest on time deposits and							
borrowings	30,589	26,327	21,527	191,931	270,374		
Operating lease obligations	4,983	8,303	10,444	33,004	56,734		
Total contractual obligations	\$2,130,030	\$257,653	\$69,301	<u>\$454,583</u>	\$2,911,567		

At the holding company level, the Company uses cash to pay dividends to shareholders and to make debt service payments. The primary source of funding for the holding company has been dividends and returns of investment from its bank and non-bank subsidiaries and the private equity investment portfolio and from the exercise of stock options by its employees. The Company's bank subsidiary is subject to regulations and, among other things, may be limited in its ability to pay dividends or otherwise transfer funds to the holding company. Accordingly, consolidated cash flows as presented in the consolidated statement of cash flows may not represent cash immediately available to the holding company. During 2004 and 2003, the bank and non-bank subsidiaries declared and paid dividends to the holding company of \$64.4 million and \$51.0 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2004, approximately \$66.7 million was available for payment of dividends by the Bank to the Company under these restrictions without regulatory approval.

The Company has in place a Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan with an optional cash purchase with waiver arrangement to allow over time the Company to issue up to 2,000,000 shares of its common stock to support its liquidity and capital needs.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The amount of the Company's financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk expiring by period at December 31, 2004 is presented below:

	Within One Year	After One but Within Three Years	After Three but Within Five Years	After Five Years	Total
		(Do	llars in thousan	ds)	
Unfunded loan commitments including unfunded lines of credit	\$1,169,230	\$893,319	\$575,915	\$ 81,782	\$2,720,246
Standby letters of credit	214,927	105,818	31,460	350	352,555
Commercial letters of credit	19,496		_		19,496
Unfunded commitments to unconsolidated investees	12,621	*******	_	_	12,621
Commitments to sell mortgage loans	12,609		_		12,609
Guarantees on GNMA securities administered				82,073	82,073
Total financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk	<u>\$1,428,883</u>	\$999,137	\$607,375	<u>\$164,205</u>	\$3,199,600

Due to the nature of the Company's unfunded loan commitments, including unfunded lines of credit, the amounts presented above do not necessarily represent amounts the Company anticipates funding in the periods presented above. During the last three years, the Company has experienced stable usage between 60% and 66% of unfunded loan commitments, including unfunded lines of credit.

Critical Accounting Policies

The Company has established various accounting policies that govern the application of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States in the preparation of the Company's financial statements. The significant accounting policies of the Company are described in the footnotes to the consolidated financial statements. Certain accounting policies involve significant judgments and assumptions by management that have a material impact on the carrying value of certain assets and liabilities; management considers such accounting policies to be critical accounting policies. The judgments and assumptions used by management are based on historical experience and other factors, which are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Because of the nature of the judgments and assumptions made by management, actual results could differ from these judgments and assumptions, which could have a material impact on the carrying values of assets and liabilities and the results of operations of the Company.

The Company believes the allowance for loan losses is the critical accounting policy that requires the most significant judgments and assumptions used in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements. In estimating the allowance for loan losses, management utilizes historical experience as well as other factors including the effect of changes in the local real estate market on collateral values, the effect on the loan portfolio of current economic indicators and their probable impact on borrowers, and increases or decreases in nonperforming and impaired loans. Changes in these factors may cause management's estimate of the allowance to increase or decrease and result in adjustments to the Company's provision for loan losses. See "— Financial Condition — Loan Review and Allowance for Loan Losses" and "Note 1 — Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" for a detailed description of the Company's estimation process and methodology related to the allowance for loan losses.

Goodwill is recorded for the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identifiable net assets, including core deposit intangibles, acquired through a merger transaction. Goodwill is not amortized, but instead is tested for impairment at least annually using both a discounted cash flow analysis and a review of the valuation of recent bank acquisitions. The discounted cash flow analysis utilizes a risk-free interest rate, estimates of future cash flows and probabilities as to the occurrence of the future cash flows. The Company

utilizes its budgets and projections of future operations based upon historical and expected industry trends to estimate future cash flows and the probability of their occurring as projected. Other acquired intangible assets determined to have finite lives, such as core deposit intangibles, are amortized over their estimated useful lives in a manner that best reflects the economic benefits of the intangible asset. In addition, impairment testing is performed periodically on these amortizing intangible assets.

Mortgage servicing rights assets are established and accounted for based on discounted cash flow modeling techniques, which require management to make estimates regarding the amount and timing of expected future cash flows, including assumptions about loan repayment rates, credit loss experience, and costs to service, as well as discount rates that consider the risk involved. Because the values of these assets are sensitive to changes in assumptions, the valuation of mortgage servicing rights is considered a critical accounting estimate. See "Note 1 — Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" and "Note 8 — Mortgage Servicing Rights" for further discussion on the accounting for these assets.

Capital Resources

Shareholders' equity increased to \$580.4 million at December 31, 2004 from \$499.3 million at December 31, 2003, an increase of \$81.1 million, or 16%, primarily from comprehensive income of \$63.3 million, the issuance of common stock for the purchase of Klein, and the exercise of stock options.

Capital management consists of providing equity to support both current and future operations. The Company is subject to capital adequacy requirements imposed by the Federal Reserve Board and the Bank is subject to capital adequacy requirements imposed by the OCC. Both the Federal Reserve Board and the OCC have adopted risk-based capital requirements for assessing bank holding company and bank capital adequacy. These standards define capital and establish minimum capital requirements in relation to assets and off-balance sheet exposure, adjusted for credit risk. The risk-based capital standards currently in effect are designed to make regulatory capital requirements more sensitive to differences in risk profiles among bank holding companies and banks, to account for off-balance sheet exposure and to minimize disincentives for holding liquid assets. Assets and off-balance sheet items are assigned to broad risk categories, each with appropriate relative risk weights. The resulting capital ratios represent capital as a percentage of total risk-weighted assets and off-balance sheet items.

Bank regulatory authorities in the United States have issued risk-based capital standards by which all bank holding companies and banks are evaluated in terms of capital adequacy. The risk-based capital standards issued by the Federal Reserve Board apply to the Company, and the OCC guidelines apply to the Bank. These guidelines relate a financial institution's capital to the risk profile of its assets. The risk-based capital standards require all financial organizations to have "Tier 1 capital" of at least 4.0% of risk-adjusted assets and "total risk-based" capital (Tier 1 and Tier 2) of at least 8.0% of risk-adjusted assets. "Tier 1 capital" includes, generally, common shareholders' equity and qualifying noncumulative perpetual preferred stock together with related surplus, qualifying cumulative perpetual preferred stock, trust preferred securities, and minority interest in equity accounts of consolidated subsidiaries less deductions for goodwill, intangible assets, and certain other items. Some components of Tier 1 capital are restricted in the amounts which may be included. "Tier 2 capital" may consist of limited amounts of subordinated debt, certain hybrid capital instruments and other debt securities, certain preferred stock not qualifying as Tier 1 capital, and the general valuation allowance for loan losses. The sum of Tier 1 capital and Tier 2 capital is "total risk-based capital."

The agencies have also adopted guidelines that supplement the risk-based capital guidelines with a minimum leverage ratio of Tier 1 capital to average total consolidated assets ("Tier 1 leverage ratio") of 3.0% for institutions with well diversified risk, including no undue interest rate exposure, excellent control systems, high liquidity, good earnings, well managed on- and off-balance sheet activities that are generally considered to be strong banking organizations, rated composite 1 under applicable federal guidelines, and that are not experiencing or anticipating significant growth. Other banking organizations are required to maintain a Tier 1 leverage ratio of at least 4.0%. These rules further provide that banking organizations experiencing internal growth or making acquisitions will be expected to maintain capital positions substantially above the minimum supervisory levels.

The following table compares the Company's and the Bank's leverage and risk-weighted capital ratios as of December 31, 2004 and 2003 to the minimum regulatory standards:

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	Actual		Minimum Capital Requirement		Well Capi Under Pr Corrective Provision	talized ompt Action
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
			(Dollars in th	ousands)		
As of December 31, 2004						
Total Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets):						
The Company	\$683,804	11.02%	\$496,231	8.00%	\$620,289	10.00%
The Bank	676,090	10.91	495,559	8.00	619,449	10.00
Tier 1 Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets):						
The Company	559,396	9.02	248,115	4.00	372,173	6.00
The Bank	626,074	10.11	247,780	4.00	371,670	6.00
Tier 1 Capital (to Adjusted Average Assets):						
The Company	559,396	7.81	286,337	4.00(1)	357,921	5.00
The Bank	626,074	8.77	285,522	4.00(1)	356,903	5.00
As of December 31, 2003						
Total Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets):						
The Company	\$558,858	11.90%	\$375,630	8.00%	\$469,537	10.00%
The Bank	504,960	10.77	375,132	8.00	468,915	10.00
Tier 1 Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets):						
The Company	515,850	10.99	187,815	4.00	281,722	6.00
The Bank	461,438	9.84	187,566	4.00	281,349	6.00
Tier 1 Capital (to Adjusted Average Assets):						
The Company	515,850	9.15	225,448	4.00(1)	281,810	5.00
The Bank	461,438	8.20	225,223	4.00 ⁽¹⁾	281,529	5.00

The Tier 1 leverage ratio consists of Tier 1 capital divided by quarterly average total assets, excluding goodwill, core deposits intangibles, and certain other items. The minimum leverage ratio guideline is 3% for institutions with well diversified risk, including no undue interest rate exposure, excellent control systems, high liquidity, good earnings, well managed on- and off-balance sheet activities that are generally considered to be strong banking organizations, that are rated composite 1 under applicable federal guidelines, and that are not experiencing or anticipating significant growth.

Pursuant to FDICIA, each federal banking agency revised its risk-based capital standards to ensure that those standards take adequate account of interest rate risk, concentration of credit risk, and the risks of nontraditional activities, as well as reflect the actual performance and expected risk of loss on multifamily mortgages. Also pursuant to FDICIA, each federal banking agency has promulgated regulations setting the levels at which an insured institution would be considered "well capitalized," "adequately capitalized," "undercapitalized," "significantly undercapitalized," and "critically undercapitalized." Under the Federal Reserve Board's regulations, the Bank is classified as "well capitalized" for purposes of prompt corrective action. See "Item 1. Business — Supervision and Regulation."

The trust preferred securities issued by the Trusts are included in the Tier 1 capital of the Company for regulatory capital purposes. The Federal Reserve Board may in the future disallow inclusion of trust preferred securities as Tier 1 capital due to the requirements of FIN No. 46. On February 28, 2005, the Federal Reserve Board issued final rules that provide that trust preferred securities may continue to be included in Tier 1

capital subject to quantitative limitations and to deductions for goodwill less any associated deferred tax liability. As of December 31, 2004, if the Company were not permitted to include the \$145.0 million in trust preferred securities in its Tier 1 capital, the Company would still meet the regulatory minimums required to be adequately capitalized.

Included in the Tier 2 capital of the Company for regulatory capital purposes is \$75.0 million in senior subordinated debentures issued on September 22, 2004. If the subordinated debt ceases to qualify as Tier 2 capital under the applicable rules and regulations promulgated by the Federal Reserve Board, the Company and the lender may restructure the debt as a senior unsecured obligation of the Company or the Company may repay the debt.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements and Developments

On December 16, 2003, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("AICPA") issued Statement of Position 03-3, Accounting for Certain Loans or Debt Securities Acquired in a Transfer ("SOP 03-3"). SOP 03-3 provides guidance on the accounting for differences between contractual and expected cash flows from the purchaser's initial investment in loans or debt securities acquired in a transfer, if those differences are attributable, at least in part, to credit quality. Among other things, SOP 03-3: (1) prohibits the recognition of the excess of contractual cash flows over expected cash flows as an adjustment of yield, loss accrual, or valuation allowance at the time of purchase; (2) requires that subsequent increases in expected cash flows be recognized prospectively through an adjustment of yield; and (3) requires the subsequent decreases in expected cash flows be recognized as an impairment. In addition, SOP 03-3 prohibits the creation or carrying over of a valuation allowance in the initial accounting of all loans within its scope that are acquired in a transfer. SOP 03-3 becomes effective for loans or debt securities acquired in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2004. The Company does not expect the requirements of SOP 03-3 to have a material impact on its financial condition or results of operations.

On March 9, 2004, the Securities and Exchange Commission staff issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 105, Application of Accounting Principles to Loan Commitments ("SAB No. 105"). SAB No. 105 summarizes the view of the staff regarding the application of generally accepted accounting principles to loan commitments accounted for as derivative instruments including recognition of the loan commitment and financial statement disclosures. The requirements of SAB No. 105 did not have a material impact on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company.

On December 16, 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, Share-Based Payment, ("SFAS No. 123R"). SFAS No. 123R eliminates the ability to account for stock-based compensation using Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25 ("APB No. 25") and requires that such transactions be recognized as compensation cost in the income statement based on their fair values on the date of the grant. The provisions of this statement become effective for all equity awards granted after July 1, 2005. Although the Company has not yet completed an analysis to quantify the exact impact the new standard will have on its future financial performance, the Stock-Based Compensation disclosures in "Note 1 — Basis of Presentation" provide detail as to the Company's financial performance as if the Company had applied the fair value based method and recognition provision of SFAS No. 123 to stock-based compensation in the current reporting periods.

On June 4, 2004, the Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") issued EITF Issue 03-1, The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and Its Application to Certain Investments. EITF 03-1 provides guidance for determining when an investment is considered impaired, whether impairment is other-than-temporary, and measurement of an impairment loss. An investment is considered impaired if the fair value of the investment is less than its cost. Generally, an impairment is considered other-than-temporary unless: (i) the investor has the ability and intent to hold an investment for a reasonable period of time sufficient for an anticipated recovery of fair value up to or beyond the cost of the investment; and (ii) evidence indicating that the cost of the investment is recoverable within a reasonable period of time outweighs evidence to the contrary. If impairment is determined to be other-than-temporary, an impairment loss should be recognized equal to the difference between the investment's cost and its fair value. Certain disclosure requirements of

EITF 03-01 were adopted in 2003. The recognition and measurement provisions were initially effective for other-than-temporary impairment evaluations in reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2004. In September 2004, the effective date of these provisions was delayed until the finalization of a FASB Staff Position to provide additional implementation guidance. The Company continues to follow the requirements of SFAS No. 115, Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities, and Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 59, Accounting for Noncurrent Marketable Equity Securities.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

The Company's financial performance is impacted by, among other factors, interest rate risk and credit risk. The Company relies on an extensive credit risk management process to mitigate its credit risk. See "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Financial Condition — Loan Review and Allowance for Loan Losses" herein.

Management may use derivative contracts to manage its exposure to commitments to originate mortgage loans. All of the derivatives utilized by the Company are for purposes other than trading. The derivatives utilized consist of purchased options on FNMA or FHLMC guaranteed mortgage-backed securities and forward delivery commitments with FNMA and other secondary market investors. These financial instruments are used to reduce the Company's exposure to the effects of fluctuations in interest rates on the Company's lending and secondary marketing activities. The notional amount and fair value of such derivatives was immaterial at December 31, 2004 and 2003.

Interest rate risk is the Company's primary market risk and results from timing differences in the repricing of assets and liabilities, changes in relationships between rate indices, an the potential exercise of explicit or embedded options. This risk is addressed by the Company's ALCO, which includes senior management and one independent director. The ALCO monitors interest rate risk by analyzing the potential impact to the net portfolio of equity value and net interest income from potential changes to interest rates and considers the impact of alternative strategies or changes in balance sheet structure. The ALCO manages the Company's balance sheet in part to minimize the potential impact on net portfolio value and net interest income despite changes in interest rates. The Company's exposure to interest rate risk is reviewed on a monthly basis by the ALCO. Interest rate risk exposure is measured using interest rate sensitivity analysis to determine the change in net portfolio value in the event of hypothetical changes in interest rates. If potential changes to net portfolio value and net interest income resulting from hypothetical interest rate changes are not within the limits established by the Board, the Board may direct management to adjust its asset and liability mix to bring interest rate risk within Board-approved limits. In order to reduce the exposure to interest rate fluctuations, the Company has implemented strategies to more closely match its balance sheet composition. Interest rate sensitivity is computed by estimating the changes in net portfolio of equity value, or market value over a range of potential changes in interest rates. The market value of equity is the market value of the Company's assets minus the market value of its liabilities plus the market value of any off-balance sheet items, if any. The market value of each asset, liability, and off-balance sheet item is its net present value of expected cash flows discounted at market rates after adjustment for rate changes. The Company measures the impact on market value for an immediate and sustained 200 basis point increase and decrease ("shock") in interest rates.

Management may use derivative contracts to manage its exposure to commitments to originate mortgage loans. All of the derivatives utilized by the Company are for purposes other than trading. The derivatives utilized consist of purchased options on FNMA or FHLMC guaranteed mortgage-backed securities and forward delivery commitments with FNMA and other secondary market investors. These financial instruments are used to reduce the Company's exposure to the effects of fluctuations in interest rates on the Company's lending and secondary marketing activities. The notional amount and fair value of such derivatives were immaterial at December 31, 2004 and 2003.

In addition, reference is made to "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Financial Condition — Interest Rate Sensitivity and Liquidity", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

Reference is made to the financial statements, the reports thereon and the notes thereto commencing at page 50 of this Form 10-K, which financial statements, reports, notes and data are incorporated herein by reference.

Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

The following table represents summarized data for each of the quarters in fiscal 2004 and 2003.

Earnings per common share, cash dividends per common share, and average common shares outstanding including common share equivalents presented below were retroactively adjusted for the Company's one for one stock dividend paid on July 15, 2004.

•	2004			2003				
_	ourth uarter	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter
			(In thou	ısands, exc	ept per sha	re data)		
Interest income\$8	32,727	\$71,617	\$65,285	\$63,600	\$61,207	\$60,298	\$58,079	\$56,660
Interest expense	19,989	14,618	11,068	11,002	10,697	11,211	11,585	12,232
Net interest income	52,738	56,999	54,217	52,598	50,510	49,087	46,494	44,428
Provision for loan losses	2,502	-2,878	2,923	1,909	2,935	2,979	2,961	2,975
Net interest income after provision for								
loan losses	50,236	54,121	51,294	50,689	47,575	46,108	43,533	41,453
Noninterest income	26,779	25,324	22,514	21,888	22,509	23,207	19,026	18,467
Noninterest expense	53,998	52,283	50,229	50,101	46,702	49,476	39,467	38,097
Income before income taxes	23,017	27,162	23,579	22,476	23,382	19,839	23,092	21,823
Provision for income taxes	5,648	7,496	7,358	7,189	7,071	6,459	7,129	6,748
Net income	17,369	<u>\$19,666</u>	<u>\$16,221</u>	<u>\$15,287</u>	\$16,311	<u>\$13,380</u>	\$15,963	<u>\$15,075</u>
Basic earnings per common share \$	0.25	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.22
Diluted earnings per common share \$	0.24	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.22
Dividends per common share \$	0.03	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.03	\$ —	\$ —
Weighted average common shares outstanding including common share equivalents	71,906	70,830	70,528	70,282	70,190	70,008	69,456	69,280

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

There have been no disagreements with accountants on any matter of accounting principles or practices or financial statement disclosures during the two year period ended December 31, 2004.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

The Company's chief executive officer and chief financial officer have evaluated the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and Rule 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of December 31, 2004 and concluded that those disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of that date.

During the quarter ended December 31, 2004, there have been no significant changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting or in other factors known to the Company that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to their evaluation.

While the Company believes that its existing disclosure controls and procedures have been effective to accomplish these objectives, the Company continues to examine, refine and formalize its disclosure controls and procedures and to monitor ongoing developments in this area.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

As of December 31, 2004, management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on the criteria for effective internal control over financial reporting established in "Internal Control — Integrated Framework" issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on that assessment, management determined that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, based on those criteria. Management has excluded Klein from its assessment of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004 because it was acquired by the Company in a purchase business combination during 2004. The total assets and total revenues of Klein represent approximately 8% and 2%, respectively, of the related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004.

Management's assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

PART III

Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers of the Registrant

For information regarding the directors and persons nominated to become directors of the Company, reference is made to the information presented in the Company's definitive Proxy Statement for its 2005 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be filed with the Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 ("the 2005 Proxy Statement"). All of such information is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 11. Executive Compensation

For information concerning the compensation paid by the Company during the year ended December 31, 2004 to its executive officers, reference is made to the information presented in the 2005 Proxy Statement. Such information is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

For information concerning the beneficial ownership of the common stock of the Company by its directors and officers and by certain other beneficial owners, reference is made to the information presented in the 2005 Proxy Statement. Such information is incorporated herein by reference.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table sets forth information as of December 31, 2004, with respect to the Company's compensation plans under which equity securities are authorized for issuance:

Plan Category	(a) Number of Securities to be Issued upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	(b) Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	(c) Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column(a))
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	5,801,784	\$12.22	3,670,458
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders			
Total	5,801,784	<u>\$12.22</u>	3,670,458

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

For information regarding certain business relationships and related transactions involving the Company's officers and directors, reference is made to the information presented in the 2005 Proxy Statement. Such information is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV

Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

For information concerning principal accountant fees and services and audit committee pre-approval policies, reference is made to the information presented in the 2005 Proxy Statement. Such information is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) and (c) Financial Statements and Financial Statement Schedules

The financial statements listed on the accompanying Index to Financial Statements (see page 51) are filed as part of this Form 10-K.

The schedules are omitted as the required information is inapplicable or the information is presented in the consolidated financial statements or related notes.

EXHIBIT INDEX

(b) *Exhibits⁽¹⁾

- 3.1 Articles of Incorporation of the Company, restated as of May 1, 2001 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form S-8 Registration Statement No. 333-60190)
- 3.2 Bylaws of the Company (Restated as of December 31, 1996)
- 4.1 Specimen Common Stock certificate
- 4.2 Indenture, dated as of September 24, 2004, between the Company, as Issuer, and Wells Fargo Bank National Association, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 28, 2004)
- †10.1 1989 Stock Option Plan, amended and restated as of May 29, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2000)
- †10.2 1993 Stock Option Plan, amended and restated as of May 29, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2000)
- †10.3 Form of Stock Option Agreement under 1989 Stock Option Plan and 1993 Stock Option Plan
- †10.4 1996 Stock Option Plan, as amended January 24, 2000 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999)
- †10.5 Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement under 1996 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003)
- †10.6 Form of Non-qualified Stock Option Agreement under 1996 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003)
- †10.7 Form of Stock Option Agreement for Directors under 1996 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's Form S-1 Registration Statement No. 333-16509)
- †10.8 Form of Change in Control Agreement between the Company and each of Joseph H. Argue III, David C. Farries, and Steve D. Stephens (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2000)
- †10.9 Form of Change in Control Agreement between the Company and Dale Andreas, Kenneth Olan, and Walter L. Ward, Jr. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002)
- †10.10 Employment Agreement, amended and restated as of October 19, 2004, between the Company and Walter E. Johnson (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed October 22, 2004)
- †10.11 Restricted Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix B to the Company's Proxy Statement dated March 16, 2001 for its 2001 Annual Meeting of Shareholders)
- †10.12 Form of Restricted Stock Agreement under the Restricted Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.6 to the Company's Form S-8 Registration Statement No. 333-60190)
- †10.13 Non-Employee Directors Deferred Fee Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the Company's Form S-8 Registration Statement No. 333-74452)
- †10.14 Form of Deferral Election Form under Non-Employee Directors Deferred Fee Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 to the Company's Form S-8 Registration Statement No. 333-74452)
- 10.15 Purchase and Sale Agreement between TCP Renaissance Partners, L.P. and Southwest Bank of Texas, N.A., dated May 24, 2002 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002)
- 10.16 Subordinated Debenture Purchase Agreement, dated as of September 22, 2004, between the Company and Wisconsin Capital Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 28, 2004)
- 10.17 Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc. Amended and Restated Non-Employee Directors Deferred Fee Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Company's Proxy Statement filed March 25, 2004)

- 10.18 Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc. 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan, dated May 5, 2004 (incorporated by reference to Appendix B to the Company's Proxy Statement, filed with the Commission on March 25, 2004)
- †10.19 1996 Stock Option Plan, Amended and Restated as of June 4, 2002 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2002)
- †10.20 Change in Control Agreement between the Company and Paul B. Murphy, Jr., Amended and Restated as of June 4, 2002 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2002)
- †10.21 Form of Change in Control Agreement [Three Year] between the Company and Scott J. McLean, Terry Kelly, and Randall E. Meyer (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002)
- †10.22 Form of Change in Control Agreement [Two Year] between the Company and Paul A. Port (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002)
- †10.23 First Amendment to Change In Control Agreement [Two Year], dated as of June 4, 2002 between the Company and David C. Farries, Joseph H. Argue III, Steve D. Stephens, and Walter L. Ward, Jr. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003)
- †10.24 Form of Change in Control Agreement between the Company and John Drew and Marylyn Manis-Hassanein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002)
- 10.25 Form of Indemnification Agreements between the Company and Willie J. Alexander, Carin M. Barth, John B. Brock III, Timothy R. Brown, Kirbyjon H. Caldwell, Ernest H. Cockrell, J. David Heaney, Paul W. Hobby, John W. Johnson, Walter E. Johnson, Barry M. Lewis, Fred R. Lummis, Scott J. McLean, James G. Moses, Paul B. Murphy, Jr., Andres Palandjoglou, Wilhelmina E. Robertson, Thomas F. Soriero, Sr., Stanley D. Stearns, Manuel Urquidi, Mark A. Wallace, Dale A. Andreas, Joseph H. Argue III, E. Reginald Brewer, Frank D. Cox, John O. Drew, Michael R. Duckworth, David C. Farries, Joseph Goyne, Debra J. Innes, Terry Kelley, Conrad W. Magouirk, Marylyn Manis-Hassanein, George Marshall, Randall E. Meyer, Kenneth W. Olan, P. Allan Port, Steve D. Stephens, Barbara S. Vilutis and W. Lane Ward (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed January 6, 2005)
- †10.26 Form of Change of Control Agreement [One Year] between the Company and Laurence L. Lehman III (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.23 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003)
- **21.1 List of subsidiaries of the Company
- **23.1 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- **31.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- **31.2 Certification of the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- **32.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- **32.2 Certification of the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

^{*} All Exhibits except for those filed herewith and as otherwise indicated are incorporated herein by reference to the Exhibits bearing the same Exhibit numbers in the Company's Form S-1 Registration Statement No. 333-16509.

^{**} Filed herewith.

[†] Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

⁽¹⁾ The Company has other long-term debt agreements that meet the exclusion set forth in Section 601(b)(4)(iii)(A) of Regulation S-K. The Company hereby agrees to furnish a copy of such agreement to the Commission upon request.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc.

By:	/s/	Paul B. Murphy, Jr.	
		Paul B. Murphy, Jr.	
		Chief Executive Officer	

Date: March 11, 2005

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Walter E. Johnson Walter E. Johnson	Chairman of the Board and Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ Paul B. Murphy, Jr. Paul B. Murphy, Jr.	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ RANDALL E. MEYER Randall E. Meyer	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	March 11, 2005
/s/ SCOTT J. McLean Scott J. McLean	President	March 11, 2005
/s/ Laurence L. Lehman III Laurence L. Lehman III	Senior Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	March 11, 2005
/s/ CARIN M. BARTH Carin M. Barth	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ JOHN B. BROCK III John B. Brock III	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ Kirbyjon H. Caldwell Kirbyjon H. Caldwell	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ ERNEST H. COCKRELL Ernest H. Cockrell	Director	March 11, 2005

Signature	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ J. David Heaney J. David Heaney	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ PAUL W. HOBBY Paul W. Hobby	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ JOHN W. JOHNSON John W. Johnson	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ BARRY M. LEWIS Barry M. Lewis	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ Fred R. Lummis Fred R. Lummis	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ Andres Palandjoglou Andres Palandjoglou	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ WILHELMINA E. ROBERTSON Wilhelmina E. Robertson	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ THOMAS F. SORIERO, SR. Thomas F. Soriero, Sr.	Director	March 11, 2005
/s/ Stanley D. Stearns, Jr. Stanley D. Stearns, Jr.	Director	March 11, 2005

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc.:

We have completed an integrated audit of Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc.'s 2004 consolidated financial statements and of its internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004 and audits of its 2003 and 2002 consolidated financial statements in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Our opinions, based on our audits, are presented below.

Consolidated financial statements

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements listed in the accompanying index, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc. and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit of financial statements includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Internal control over financial reporting

Also, in our opinion, management's assessment, included in Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting appearing under Item 9A, that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004 based on criteria established in Internal Control -Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on those criteria. Furthermore, in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, based on criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the COSO. The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Our responsibility is to express opinions on management's assessment and on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We conducted our audit of internal control over financial reporting in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. An audit of internal control over financial reporting includes obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, evaluating management's assessment, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control, and performing such other procedures as we consider necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the

company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

As described in Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, management has excluded Klein Bancshares, Inc. from its assessment of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004 because it was acquired by the Company in a purchase business combination during 2004. We have also excluded Klein Bancshares, Inc. from our audit of internal control over financial reporting. The total assets and total revenues of Klein Bancshares, Inc. represent approximately 8% and 2%, respectively, of the related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004.

Houston, Texas March 10, 2005

SOUTHWEST BANCORPORATION OF TEXAS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	December 31,		
	2004	2003	
		thousands,	
ASSETS	except per sh	are amounts)	
Cash and due from banks	\$ 327,558	\$ 390,890	
Federal funds sold and other cash equivalents	14,417	94,908	
Total cash and cash equivalents	341,975	485,798	
Securities available for sale (including \$319,599 and \$254,235 pledged to	341,773	405,790	
creditors)	1,927,204	1,549,398	
Securities held to maturity (fair value of \$58,569 and \$0)	58,033		
Loans held for sale	107,404	96,899	
Loans held for investment, net of allowance for loan losses of \$49,408 and		,	
\$41,611	4,490,170	3,450,062	
Premises and equipment, net	164,443	117,951	
Accrued interest receivable	30,200	21,630	
Goodwill	149,846	25,647	
Core deposit intangibles	27,246	6,185	
Other assets	209,082	193,563	
Total assets	\$7,505,603	\$5,947,133	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Deposits:			
Demand — noninterest-bearing	\$1,871,228	\$1,513,038	
Demand — interest-bearing.	135,003	43,452	
Money market accounts	2,091,624	1,709,755	
Savings	205,593	131,059	
Time, \$100 and over	944,283	642,590	
Other time	372,312	363,345	
Total deposits	5,620,043	4,403,239	
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	273,344	285,571	
Other borrowings	770,034	679,812	
Senior subordinated debenture	75,000	-	
Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures	149,486	51,547	
Accrued interest payable	2,902	1,822	
Other liabilities	34,380	25,821	
Total liabilities	6,925,189	5,447,812	
		3,117,012	
Commitments and contingencies Shareholders' equity:			
Preferred stock — \$0.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized; 0 issued and			
outstanding at December 31, 2004 and 2003			
Common stock — \$1 par value, 150,000,000 shares authorized 70,198,456			
issued and 70,095,949 outstanding at December 31, 2004; 68,458,286			
issued and 68,427,798 outstanding at December 31, 2003	70,198	68,458	
Additional paid-in capital	92,330	65,380	
Retained earnings	428,311	368,069	
Deferred compensation	(5,469)	(4,215)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(3,221)	2,050	
Treasury stock, at cost — 102,507 shares and 30,488 shares, respectively	(1,735)	(421)	
Total shareholders' equity	580,414	499,321	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$7,505,603	\$5,947,133	
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SOUTHWEST BANCORPORATION OF TEXAS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Year	Ended Decemb	er 31,
	2004	2003	2002
		ollars in thousa t per share amo	
Interest income:			
Loans	\$217,140	\$185,666	\$177,837
Taxable	56,046	43,959	52,533
Tax-exempt	9,317	5,651	4,426
Federal funds sold and other	726	968	798
Total interest income	283,229	236,244	235,594
Interest expense:			
Deposits	39,830	36,971	48,962
Borrowings	16,847	8,754	10,817
Total interest expense	56,677	45,725	59,779
Net interest income	226,552	190,519	175,815
Provision for loan losses	10,212	11,850	11,037
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	216,340	178,669	164,778
Noninterest income:			
Service charges on deposit accounts	46,345	40,065	33,936
Investment services	12,682	9,712	9,302
Other fee income	22,722	18,326	11,343
Bank-owned life insurance income	7,047	6,009	4,860
Other operating income	6,743	6,351	4,090
Gain on sale of loans, net	978	1,522	1,868
Gain (loss) on sale of securities, net	(12)	1,224	1,737
Total noninterest income	96,505	83,209	67,136
Noninterest expenses:			
Salaries and employee benefits	117,869	97,176	81,486
Occupancy expense	37,657	29,690	24,066
Professional services	12,514	9,640	8,626
Core deposit intangible amortization expense	4,947 .	1,368	21 527
Other operating expenses	43,624	35,868	31,537
Total noninterest expenses	216,611	173,742	145,715
Income before income taxes	96,234	88,136	86,199
Provision for income taxes	<u>27,691</u>	<u>27,407</u>	26,993
Net income	\$ 68,543	\$ 60,729	\$ 59,206
Earnings per common share:		•	
Basic	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.88
Diluted	\$ 0.97	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.86
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.05	<u> </u>

SOUTHWEST BANCORPORATION OF TEXAS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

						Accumulated		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_		Additional			Other Comprehensive		Total
*,	Common	Stock	Paid-In	Retained	Deferred	Income	Treasury	Shareholders'
-	Shares	Dollars	Capital	Earnings	Compensation	(Loss)	Stock	Equity
			(Dollars	in thousan	ids, except per s	hare amounts)		
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2001	65,848,196	\$65,848	\$41,828	\$251,552	\$ (1,364)	\$ 3,870	\$ -	\$361,734
Exercise of stock options	1,539,406	1,539	12,803		,			14,342
Issuance of restricted common stock, net								
of shares forfeited into Treasury	324,528	325	3,389		(3,714)			_
Deferred compensation amortization					853			853
Comprehensive income:								
Net income for the year ended				50.306				50.307
December 31, 2002				59,206				59,206
Net change in unrealized appreciation on securities available for sale, net of								
deferred taxes of (\$6,195)						11,427		11,427
Reclassification adjustment for gains								
included in net income, net of								
deferred taxes of \$696				•		(1,264)		(1,264)
Minimum pension liability, net of deferred taxes of \$418						(775)		(775)
						(113)		(775)
Total comprehensive income								68,594
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2002	67,712,130	67,712	58,020	310,758	(4,225)	13,258	-	445,523
Exercise of stock options	638,376	638	5,962					6,600 ·
Issuance of restricted common stock, net								
of shares forfeited into Treasury	107,000	107.	1,386		(1,488)		(5)	
Issuance of non-employee director stock.	780	1	12				(416)	13
Purchase of treasury stock					1 400		(416)	
Deferred compensation amortization			,	(2.410)	1,498			1,498
Cash dividends, \$0.05 per common share				(3,418)	,			(3,418)
Net income for the year ended	•							
December 31, 2003		1		60,729		•		60,729
Net change in unrealized appreciation								,
on securities available for sale, net of								
deferred taxes of \$5,109						(9,484)		(9,484)
Reclassification adjustment for gains								
included in net income, net of deferred taxes of \$849			•			(1,576)		(1,576)
Minimum pension liability, net of						(1,570)		(1,570)
deferred taxes of \$80						(148)		(148)
Total comprehensive income						` '		49,521
•	60.450.006			260.060	(4.015)	2.050		
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2003		68,458	65,380 8,892	368,069	(4,215)	2,050	(421)	499,321
Exercise of stock options	837,684	838	0,092					9,730
of shares forfeited into Treasury	147,390	147	2,879		(3,020)		(6)	_
Issuance of non-employee director stock	7,628	8	124		(0,020)		(0)	132
Purchase of Klein Bancshares, Inc	747,468	747	15,055					15,802
Purchase of treasury stock	,		•				(1,308)	(1,308)
Deferred compensation amortization					1,766	•		1,766
Cash dividends, \$0.12 per common share				(8,301))			(8,301)
Comprehensive income:								
Net income for the year ended								
December 31, 2004				68,543				68,543
Net change in unrealized appreciation								
(depreciation) on securities available for sale, net of deferred taxes of								
\$2,630						(5,533)		(5,533)
Reclassification adjustment for losses						,		,
included in net income, net of								
deferred taxes of (\$187)						310		310
Minimum pension liability, net of deferred taxes of \$26						(40)		(40)
						(48)		(48)
Total comprehensive income								63,272
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2004	70,198,456	\$70,198	\$92,330	\$428,311	\$ (5,469)	<u>\$(3,221)</u>	<u>\$(1,735)</u>	\$580,414
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SOUTHWEST BANCORPORATION OF TEXAS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

		Year E	Inde	d Decembe	r 31	1,
	_	2004		2003		2002
		(Dol	lars	in thousand	ds)	
Cash flows from operating activities:	_	60 a.a	_	60		50.50¢
Net income	\$	68,543	\$	60,729	\$	59,206
Provision for loan losses		10,212		11,850		11,037
Deferred tax expense (benefit)		(1,345)		(640)		2,758
Depreciation Valuation adjustments for mortgage servicing rights, net		14,861		11,927 (2,371)		9,201 2,371
Realized (gain) loss on securities available for sale, net		12		(1,224)		(1,737)
Gain on sale of premises and equipment, net		(27)		(8)		(839)
Amortization and accretion of securities' premiums and discounts, net		5,237		11,176		6,058
Amortization of mortgage servicing rights		2,224		4,806		4,180
Amortization of computer software		6,612		4,927		3,677
Amortization of core deposit intangibles		4,947		1,368 1,498		853
Minority interest in net income of consolidated subsidiary		1,766		1,496		40
Gain on sale of subsidiary				_		(1,068)
Income tax benefit from exercise of stock options		2,973		1,885		6,500
Loans held for sale		(10,505)		4,490		(14,365)
Other assets and liabilities, net	_	(6,734)	_	(16,802)	_	28,157
Net cash provided by operating activities		98,776		93,611	_	116,029
Cash flows from investing activities:		62.200		71 110		25 270
Proceeds from maturity and call of securities available for sale		53,280		71,119 652,529		25,370
Proceeds from sale of subsidiary, net of cash sold		1,162,060		032,329		139,436 (3,003)
Principal paydowns of mortgage-backed securities available for sale		297,108		533,194		445,632
Principal paydowns of mortgage-backed securities held to maturity		3,775		_		_
Purchase of securities available for sale	(1,593,349)	(1,573,915)		(724,668)
Purchase of Federal Reserve Bank stock		(4,052)		(28)		(294)
Proceeds from redemption of Federal Home Loan Bank stock		28,716		6,765		5,699
Purchase of Federal Home Loan Bank stock Net increase in loans held for investment		(36,020)		(5,046)		(24,395)
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment.		(732,835) 829		(280,191) 82	. '	(461,126) 1,905
Purchase of premises and equipment		(46,022)		(32,531)		(46,947)
Purchase of mortgage servicing rights		(10,022)		(281)		(804)
Purchase of Bank-owned life insurance policies		_		(30,000)		
Purchase of Maxim Financial Holdings, Inc., net of cash acquired of \$142,658		_		79,618		_
Purchase of Reunion Bancshares, Inc., net of cash acquired of \$30,596		(20,004)		_		_
Purchase of Klein Bancshares, Inc., net of cash acquired of \$78,060		(71,138)		(2.052)		(062)
Investment in unconsolidated equity investees		(5,808)		(3,053)		(862)
Net cash used in investing activities	_	(963,460)	_	(581,738)	_	(644,057)
Cash flows from financing activities: Net increase in noninterest-bearing demand deposits		118,692		153,445		309,613
Net increase (decrease) in time deposits		202,737		61,395		(33,882)
Net increase in other interest-bearing deposits		153,350		34,814		231,470
Net increase (decrease) in securities sold under repurchase agreements		(12,227)		10,128		(82,958)
Issuance of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures, net of cost		97,939		51,047		`
Issuance of senior subordinated debentures		75,000				
Net increase in other short-term borrowings		286,470		27,242		186,212
Proceeds from long-term borrowings		2,200		200,000		100,000
Payments on long-term borrowings		(200,448) (8,301)		(100,391)		. (361)
Net proceeds from exercise of stock options		6,757		4,715		7,842
Purchase of treasury stock		(1,308)		(416)		
Net cash provided by financing activities	_	720,861		438,561		717,936
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	_	(143,823)		(49,566)	_	189,908
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	_	485,798		535,364	_	345,456
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u>\$</u>	341,975	<u>\$</u>	485,798	<u>\$</u>	535,364

1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation and Nature of Operations

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc. ("the Bancorporation") and all other entities in which the Bancorporation has a controlling financial interest (collectively referred to as the "Company"). The consolidated financial statements also include the accounts of First National Bank of Bay City, a 58% owned indirect subsidiary of the Company, through November 1, 2002. On this date, the Company sold its interest in this subsidiary. All material intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The accounting and financial reporting policies the Company follows conform, in all material respects, to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and to general practices within the financial services industry.

The Company determines whether it has a controlling financial interest in an entity by first evaluating whether the entity is a voting interest entity or a variable interest entity under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Voting interest entities are entities in which the total equity investment at risk is sufficient to enable the entity to finance itself independently and provides the equity holders with the obligation to absorb losses, the right to receive residual returns and the right to make decisions about the entity's activities. The Company consolidates voting interest entities in which it has all, or at least a majority of, the voting interest. As defined in applicable accounting standards, variable interest entities ("VIEs") are entities that lack one or more of the characteristics of a voting interest entity. A controlling financial interest is present when an enterprise has a variable interest, or a combination of variable interests, that will absorb a majority of the entity's expected losses, receive a majority of the entity's expected residual returns, or both. The enterprise with a controlling financial interest, known as the primary beneficiary, consolidates the VIE. The Company's wholly owned subsidiaries, Statutory Trust I, Statutory Trust II, and Statutory Trust III ("the Trusts"), are VIEs for which the Company is not the primary beneficiary. Accordingly, the accounts of these entities are not consolidated in the Company's financial statements.

On March 7, 2005, Southwest Bank of Texas National Association ("the Bank") changed its name to Amegy Bank National Association. The Bank's subsidiary, Mitchell Mortgage Company, L.L.C., changed its name to Amegy Mortgage Company, L.L.C. ("Amegy Mortgage") on the same date. Subject to shareholders' approval at the annual meeting on May 4, 2005, the name of the Company will change to Amegy Bancorporation, Inc.

Substantially all of the Company's revenue and income is derived from the operations of the Bank and Amegy Mortgage. The Bank provides a full range of commercial and private banking services to small and middle market businesses and individuals primarily in the Houston metropolitan area. Amegy Mortgage originates, sells and services single family residential mortgages, residential and commercial construction loans and commercial mortgages.

On July 1, 2003, the Company completed its merger with Maxim Financial Holdings, Inc. ("Maxim"), whereby Maxim was merged into the Company. On January 31, 2004, the Company completed its merger with Reunion Bancshares, Inc. ("Reunion"), whereby Reunion was merged into the Company. On October 1, 2004, the Company completed its merger with Klein Bancshares, Inc. ("Klein"), whereby Klein was merged into the Company. The results of operations of Maxim, Reunion, and Klein have been included in the consolidated financial statements since their respective acquisition dates. See "Note 2 — Merger Related Activity" for further discussion of the mergers.

Management's Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial

statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of reporting cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, amounts due from banks, Federal Funds sold, and other short term securities with original maturities of less than ninety days. Generally, Federal Funds are sold for one-day periods.

The Company is required to maintain noninterest-bearing cash reserve balances with the Federal Reserve Bank. The average of such cash balances was approximately \$20.1 million and \$14.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Securities

Debt securities which management intends and has the ability to hold to maturity are classified as held to maturity. Securities held to maturity are stated at cost, increased by accretion of discounts and reduced by amortization of premiums, both computed by the interest method.

Securities to be held for indefinite periods of time, including securities that management intends to use as part of its asset/liability strategy, or that may be sold in response to changes in interest rates, changes in prepayment risk, the need to increase regulatory capital or other similar factors, are classified as available for sale and are carried at fair value. Fair values of securities are estimated based on available market quotations. Unrealized holding gains and temporary losses, net of taxes, on available for sale securities are reported as a separate component of other comprehensive income until realized. Premiums and discounts on securities available for sale are amortized/accreted as an adjustment to the securities yield based upon the interest method. Gains and losses on the sale of available for sale securities are determined using the specific identification method.

Trading securities are carried at fair value. Realized and unrealized gains and losses on trading securities are recognized in the consolidated statement of income as they occur. The Company held no trading securities at December 31, 2004 and 2003.

The Company reviews its financial position, liquidity and future plans in evaluating the criteria for classifying investment securities. Securities are classified among categories at the time the securities are purchased. Declines in the fair value of individual held to maturity and available for sale securities below their cost that are other than temporary would result in write-downs, as a realized loss, of the individual securities to their fair value. Management believes that based upon the credit quality of the debt securities and the Company's intent and ability to hold the securities until their recovery, none of the unrealized loss on securities should be considered other than temporary.

Loans

Loans held for investment are reported at the principal amount outstanding, net of unearned discounts and deferred loan fees, and including unamortized premiums or discounts. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance.

Loans on which the accrual of interest has been discontinued are designated as nonaccrual loans. Loans are designated as nonaccrual when reasonable doubt exists as to the full collection of interest and principal. When a loan is placed on nonaccrual status, all interest previously accrued but not collected is reversed against current period interest income. Income on such loans is then recognized only to the extent that cash is received and where the future collection of interest and principal is probable. Interest accruals are resumed on

such loans only when they are brought fully current with respect to interest and principal and when, in the judgment of management, the loans are estimated to be fully collectible as to both principal and interest.

A loan is considered impaired, based on current information and events, if management believes that the Company will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. All amounts due according to the contractual terms means that both the contractual interest payments and the contractual principal payments of a loan will be collected as scheduled in the loan agreement. An insignificant delay or insignificant shortfall in the amount of payment does not require a loan to be considered impaired. The measurement of impaired loans is based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or the loan's observable market price or based on the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral-dependent. If the measure of the impaired loan is less than the recorded investment in the loan, a specific reserve is established for the shortfall as a component of the Company's allowance for loan loss methodology. The Company considers all nonaccrual loans to be impaired.

The accrual of interest on impaired loans is discontinued when, in management's opinion, the borrower may be unable to meet payments as they become due. When interest accrual is discontinued, all unpaid accrued interest is reversed. Interest income is subsequently recognized only to the extent cash payments are received. The amortization of deferred loan fees is discontinued when a loan is placed on nonaccrual.

Loans held for sale are carried at the lower of cost or market, which is computed by the aggregate method (unrealized losses are offset by unrealized gains). The carrying amount of loans held for sale is adjusted by gains and losses generated from corresponding hedging transactions entered into to protect loss of value from increases in interest rates. Hedge positions are also used to protect the pipeline of loan applications in process from increases in interest rates. Gains and losses resulting from changes in the market value of the inventory and open hedge positions are netted.

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for such losses charged against operations, which represents management's estimate of probable losses inherent in the loan portfolio. The allowance is increased by provisions charged against current earnings and reduced by net charge-offs. Loans are charged against the allowance for loan losses when management believes that the collectibility of the principal is unlikely. The allowance is an amount that management believes is adequate to reflect the risks inherent in the existing loan portfolio and is based on evaluations of the collectibility and prior loss experience of loans. In making its evaluation, management considers growth in the loan portfolio, the diversification by industry of the Company's commercial loan portfolio, the effect of changes in the local real estate market on collateral values, the results of recent regulatory examinations, the affects on the loan portfolio of current economic indicators and their probable impact on borrowers, the amount of charge-offs for current and prior periods, the amount of nonperforming loans and related collateral, and the evaluation of its loan portfolio by the loan review function.

The allowance has several components, which include specific reserves, migration analysis reserves, qualitative adjustments, a general reserve component, and a separate reserve for international, cross-border risk (allocated transfer risk reserve "ATRR").

The evaluation of the adequacy of loan collateral is often based upon estimates and appraisals. Because of changing economic conditions, the valuations determined from such estimates and appraisals may also change. Accordingly, the Company may ultimately incur losses which vary from management's current estimates. Adjustments to the allowance for loan losses are reported in the period such adjustments become known or are reasonably estimable.

Loan Fees and Costs

Nonrefundable loan origination and commitment fees net of certain direct costs associated with originating loans held for investment are deferred and recognized as an adjustment to the related loan yield. Such fees associated with originating loans held for sale are deferred and recognized as a portion of the gain or loss on sale of loans.

Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation expense is computed using the straight-line method and is charged to operating expense over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Depreciation expense has been computed principally using estimated lives of thirty to forty years for premises, three to five years for hardware and software, and five to ten years for furniture and equipment. Leasehold improvements are amortized using the straight-line method over the shorter of the remaining term of the respective lease or the estimated useful life of the improvement. Costs of major additions and improvements are capitalized. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred. When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any resulting gain or loss is reflected in income for the period.

Goodwill and Other Intangibles

Goodwill is recorded for the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identifiable net assets, including core deposit intangibles, acquired through a merger transaction. Goodwill is not amortized, but instead is tested for impairment at least annually using both a discounted cash flow analysis and a review of the valuation of recent bank acquisitions. The discounted cash flow analysis utilizes a risk-free interest rate, estimates of future cash flows and probabilities as to the occurrence of the future cash flows. The Company utilizes its budgets and projections of future operations based upon historical and expected industry trends to estimate future cash flows and the probability of their occurring as projected. Other acquired intangible assets determined to have finite lives, such as core deposit intangibles, are amortized over their estimated useful lives in a manner that best reflects the economic benefits of the intangible asset. In addition, impairment testing is performed periodically on these amortizing intangible assets.

Other Real Estate Owned

Real estate acquired through foreclosure is carried at the lower of the recorded investment in the property or its fair value less estimated selling costs. Prior to foreclosure, the value of the underlying collateral of the loan is written down to its estimated fair value less estimated selling costs through a charge to the allowance for loan losses, if necessary. Any subsequent write-downs are charged against operations. Operating expenses of such properties are included in other operating expenses in the accompanying consolidated statement of income.

Investments in Unconsolidated Investees

Investments in unconsolidated investees are accounted for using the equity method of accounting when the Company has the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control, over the investees. The cost method of accounting is used when the Company has neither the ability to exercise significant influence, nor control, over the investee. Such investments are monitored for impairment as significant events occur.

Bank-Owned Life Insurance

Bank-owned life insurance ("BOLI") represents life insurance on the lives of certain employees who have provided positive consent allowance the Bank to be the beneficiary of such policies. Increases in the cash

value of the policies, as well as insurance proceeds received, are recorded in other operating income in the accompanying consolidated statement of income and are not subject to income taxes. The cash value is included in other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet.

Mortgage Servicing Rights

Mortgage servicing rights represent the right to receive future mortgage servicing fees. The Company recognizes as separate assets the right to service mortgage loans for others, whether the servicing rights are acquired through a separate purchase or through loan origination by allocating total costs incurred between the loan and the servicing rights retained based on their relative fair values. Mortgage servicing rights are amortized in proportion to, and over the period of, estimated net servicing income. The Company periodically evaluates the carrying value of the mortgage servicing rights in relation to the present value of the estimated future net servicing revenue based on management's best estimate of the amount and timing of expected future cash flows, including assumptions about loan repayment rates, credit loss experience, and costs to service, as well as discount rates that consider the risk involved.

Mortgage servicing rights are reported as a component of other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. Fair value is determined by using quoted market prices for mortgage servicing rights with similar characteristics, when available, or based upon discounted cash flows using market-based assumptions. For purchased mortgage servicing rights, the cost of acquiring loan servicing contracts is capitalized to the extent such costs do not exceed the amount by which the present value of estimated future servicing revenue exceeds the present value of expected future servicing costs.

Mortgage loans serviced for others are not included in the consolidated balance sheet. The unpaid principal balance of mortgage loans serviced for others was approximately \$849.9 million, \$931.0 million, and \$1.07 billion at December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Custodial escrow balances maintained in connection with the foregoing loan servicing, and included in demand deposits, were approximately \$28.0 million and \$20.7 million at December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Earnings and Dividends per Common Share

Basic earnings per common share is computed by dividing income available for common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per common share is computed by dividing income available for common shareholders, adjusted for any changes in income that would result from the assumed conversion of all potential dilutive common shares, by the sum of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding and the effect of all potential dilutive common shares outstanding for the period.

Cash dividends per common share represent the historical cash dividends of the Company. Dividends are recorded as a payable on the declaration date.

On June 17, 2004, the Company declared a stock split effected by a stock dividend payable at the rate of one share of the Company's common stock for each share of the Company's common stock issued and outstanding as of July 1, 2004, payable on July 15, 2004, to the holders of record as of the close of business on July 1, 2004. This stock split has been given retroactive effect in the accompanying financial statements and related notes. In addition, earnings and dividends per common share data has been restated for all periods presented.

Income Taxes

Provision for income taxes is the total of the current year income tax due or refundable and the change in deferred tax assets and liabilities (excluding deferred tax assets and liabilities associated with components of other comprehensive income). Deferred tax assets and liabilities are the expected future tax amounts for the temporary differences between carrying amounts and tax bases of assets and liabilities, computed using enacted rates. A valuation allowance, if needed, reduces deferred tax assets to the expected amount most likely to be realized. Realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of a sufficient level of future taxable income and recoverable taxes paid in prior years. Although realization is not assured, management believes it is more likely than not that all of the deferred tax assets will be realized.

Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income includes all changes in shareholders' equity during a period, except those resulting from transactions with shareholders. Besides net income, other components of the Company's comprehensive income include the after tax effect of changes in the fair value of securities available for sale and minimum pension liability adjustments. Comprehensive income is reported in the accompanying consolidated statement of shareholders' equity.

Deferred Compensation

Deferred compensation is recorded as a component of shareholders' equity for non-vested stock awards issued The compensation is valued at the grant date and recognized over the vesting period.

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company applies the intrinsic value method in accounting for its stock-based compensation plans in accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25 ("APB No. 25"). Because the exercise price of the Company's stock options equals the market price of the underlying stock on the date of grant, no compensation expense is recognized on options granted.

In 1995, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, ("SFAS No. 123") which, if fully adopted by the Company, would change the method the Company applies in recognizing the expense of its stock-based compensation plans for awards subsequent to 1994. Adoption of the expense recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123 is optional and the Company decided not to elect these provisions of SFAS No. 123. However, pro forma disclosures as if the Company adopted the expense recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123 are required by SFAS No. 123 and are presented below.

If the fair value based method of accounting under SFAS No. 123 had been applied, the Company's net income available for common shareholders and earnings per common share would have been reduced to the pro forma amounts indicated below (assuming that the fair value of options granted during the year are amortized over the vesting period):

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2004	2003	2002		
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)				
Net income					
As reported	\$68,543	\$60,729	\$59,206		
Pro forma	\$65,834	\$58,312	\$57,009		
Stock-based compensation cost, net of income taxes					
As reported	\$ 1,148	\$ 1,034	\$ 586		
Pro forma	\$ 3,857	\$ 3,451	\$ 2,783		
Basic earnings per common share					
As reported	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.88		
Pro forma	\$ 0.95	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.85		
Diluted earnings per common share					
As reported	\$ 0.97	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.86		
Pro forma	\$ 0.93	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.83		

The effects of applying SFAS No. 123 in the above pro forma disclosure are not indicative of future amounts. The Company anticipates making awards in the future under its stock-based compensation plans.

The Company expects to adopt the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, Share-Based Payment, ("SFAS No. 123R") on July 1, 2005. See "Note 1 — New Accounting Pronouncements" for additional information.

Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company recognizes all derivative financial instruments, such as forward option contracts, commitments to originate loans held for sale, and commitments to sell mortgage loans, in the consolidated financial statements at fair value regardless of the purpose or intent for holding the instrument. Changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments are either recognized periodically in income or in shareholders' equity as a component of other comprehensive income depending on whether the derivative financial instrument qualifies and is designated for hedge accounting, and if so, whether it qualifies as a fair value hedge or a cash flow hedge. Generally, changes in fair values of derivatives accounted for as fair value hedges are recorded in income along with the portions of the changes in the fair value of the hedged items that relate to the hedged risk(s). Changes in fair values of derivatives accounted for as cash flow hedges, to the extent they are effective as hedges, are recorded in other comprehensive income net of deferred taxes. Changes in fair values of derivatives not qualifying as hedges are reported in the statement of income. For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, the impact of the Company's derivative financial instruments was immaterial.

Off-Balance Sheet Financial Instruments

In the ordinary course of business the Company has entered into off-balance sheet financial instruments consisting of commitments to extend credit, commitments to sell mortgage loans, commercial letters of credit

and standby letters of credit. Such financial instruments are recorded in the financial statements when they are funded or related fees are incurred or received.

Segment Information

In accordance with SFAS No. 131, Disclosure about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information, the Company uses the "management approach" for reporting business segment information. The management approach designates the internal organization that is used by management for making operating decisions and assessing performance as the source of the Company's reportable segments.

The Company considers its business as two operating segments: the bank and the mortgage company. The Company has disclosed results of operations relating to the two segments in Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements.

Reclassifications

Certain previously reported amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2004 financial statement presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on net income, shareholders' equity, or cash flows.

New Accounting Pronouncements

On December 16, 2003, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("AICPA") issued Statement of Position 03-3, Accounting for Certain Loans or Debt Securities Acquired in a Transfer ("SOP 03-3"). SOP 03-3 provides guidance on the accounting for differences between contractual and expected cash flows from the purchaser's initial investment in loans or debt securities acquired in a transfer, if those differences are attributable, at least in part, to credit quality. Among other things, SOP 03-3: (1) prohibits the recognition of the excess of contractual cash flows over expected cash flows as an adjustment of yield, loss accrual, or valuation allowance at the time of purchase; (2) requires that subsequent increases in expected cash flows be recognized prospectively through an adjustment of yield; and (3) requires the subsequent decreases in expected cash flows be recognized as an impairment. In addition, SOP 03-3 prohibits the creation or carrying over of a valuation allowance in the initial accounting of all loans within its scope that are acquired in a transfer. SOP 03-3 becomes effective for loans or debt securities acquired in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2004. The Company does not expect the requirements of SOP 03-3 to have a material impact on its financial condition or results of operations.

On March 9, 2004, the Securities and Exchange Commission staff issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 105, Application of Accounting Principles to Loan Commitments ("SAB No. 105"). SAB No. 105 summarizes the view of the staff regarding the application of generally accepted accounting principles to loan commitments accounted for as derivative instruments including recognition of the loan commitment and financial statement disclosures. The requirements of SAB No. 105 did not have a material impact on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company.

On December 16, 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued SFAS No. 123R. SFAS No. 123R eliminates the ability to account for stock-based compensation using APB No. 25 and requires that such transactions be recognized as compensation cost in the income statement based on their fair values on the date of the grant. The provisions of this statement become effective for all equity awards granted after July 1, 2005 as well as equity awards that are unvested on that date. Although the Company has not yet completed an analysis to quantify the exact impact the new standard will have on its future financial performance, the *Stock-Based Compensation* disclosures in "Note 1 — Basis of Presentation" provide detail as to the Company's financial performance as if the Company had applied the fair value based method and recognition provision of SFAS No. 123 to stock-based compensation in the current reporting periods.

On June 4, 2004, the Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") issued EITF Issue 03-1, The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and Its Application to Certain Investments. EITF 03-1 provides guidance for determining when an investment is considered impaired, whether impairment is other-thantemporary, and measurement of an impairment loss. An investment is considered impaired if the fair value of the investment is less than its cost. Generally, an impairment is considered other-than-temporary unless: (i) the investor has the ability and intent to hold an investment for a reasonable period of time sufficient for an anticipated recovery of fair value up to or beyond the cost of the investment; and (ii) evidence indicating that the cost of the investment is recoverable within a reasonable period of time outweighs evidence to the contrary. If impairment is determined to be other-than-temporary, an impairment loss should be recognized equal to the difference between the investment's cost and its fair value. Certain disclosure requirements of EITF 03-01 were adopted in 2003. The recognition and measurement provisions were initially effective for other-than-temporary impairment evaluations in reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2004. In September 2004 the effective date of these provisions was delayed until the finalization of a FASB Staff Position to provide additional implementation guidance. The Company continues to follow the requirements of SFAS No. 115, Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities, and Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 59, Accounting for Noncurrent Marketable Equity Securities.

2. Merger Related Activity

The mergers described below were accounted for as purchase transactions. The purchase prices have been allocated to the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair value at the date of the mergers. The excess of the purchase price over the estimated fair values of the net assets acquired was recorded as goodwill, none of which is expected to be deductible for tax purposes. Goodwill is evaluated annually for possible impairment under the provisions of SFAS No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets.

On July 1, 2003, the Company completed its merger with Maxim, whereby its subsidiary, MaximBank was merged with and into the Bank. The addition of the eight Maxim branches expands the Company's branch network to include Galveston County, Texas. The merger was a cash transaction valued at \$63.0 million. The source of the funds for the merger was available cash.

On January 31, 2004, the Company completed its merger with Reunion, whereby its subsidiary, Lone Star Bank ("Lone Star") was merged with and into the Bank. The addition of the five Lone Star branches expands the Company's branch network to include the Dallas market and represents an attractive growth opportunity for the Company. The merger was a cash transaction with \$43.5 million paid at closing and an additional \$6.5 million deposited into an escrow account. The release of this account is contingent upon the performance of the loan portfolio and other potential liabilities over a three-year period. In addition, the Bank paid \$600,000 to Reunion's financial advisor in connection with this transaction. The purchase price was funded through the proceeds of \$51.5 million of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures issued in October 2003.

On October 1, 2004, the Company completed its merger with Klein, whereby its subsidiary, Klein Bank & Trust was merged with and into the Bank. The addition of the 27 Klein branches expands the Company's branch network in the northwest quadrant of the Houston metropolitan area. The merger was a cash and common stock transaction with \$149.2 million of the \$165.0 million purchase price paid in cash and the remainder paid through the issuance of 747,468 common shares of the Company. These shares were valued at the average of the closing price of the Company's common stock for the fifteen business days ended five business days prior to the merger date. The cash portion of the purchase price was funded through the proceeds of \$36.1 million of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures and \$75.0 million of senior subordinated debentures issued in September 2004.

The following table summarized the estimated fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of the mergers.

	Maxim July 1, 2003	Reunion January 31, 2004 (Dollars in thousand	Klein October 1, 2004 ds)
Cash	\$142,658	\$ 30,596	\$ 78,060
Securities	59,781	30,946	329,862
Loans	98,362	163,822	163,086
Loan premium (discount)	6,678	(1,038)	5,574
Allowance for loan losses	(1,426)	(2,116)	(1,354)
Goodwill	23,253	29,755	94,248
Core deposit intangibles	7,553	6,379	19,629
Other assets	11,929	3,779	23,969
Deposits	(241,129)	(207,026)	(535,644)
Deposit (premium) discount	(407)	(39)	684
Borrowings	(37,531)	(2,000)	_
Other liabilities	(6,681)	(2,458)	(13,114)
Cost	\$ 63,040	\$ 50,600	<u>\$ 165,000</u>

Core deposit intangibles ("CDI") are amortized using an economic life method based on deposit attrition projections derived from nationally-observed patterns within the banking industry. As a result, CDI amortization will decline over time with most of the amortization during the initial years. The Maxim CDI is being amortized over a weighted average period of eight and one-half years with no residual value. The Lone Star CDI is being amortized over a weighted average period of thirteen and one-third years with no residual value. The Klein CDI is being amortized over a weighted average period of twelve years with no residual value.

The unaudited pro forma combined results, as if Maxim, Reunion, and Klein had been included in operations at January 1, 2003, are estimated to be as follows.

	Pr	Ended l,		
	2	2004		2003
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)			
Net interest income after provision for loan losses and				
noninterest income	\$34	13,598	\$3	16,251
Income before income taxes	10)4,430	9	98,999
Net income	7	73,938	(68,113
Earnings per common share, basic	\$	1.06	\$	0.99
Earnings per common share, diluted	\$	1.04	\$	0.97

Maxim recorded a gain on sale of securities of \$5.3 million in the second quarter of 2003, which has been recorded in the pro forma results above. These pro forma results are not necessarily indicative of what actually would have occurred if the merger had been completed as of the beginning of each fiscal period presented, nor are they necessarily indicative of future consolidated results.

3. Securities

The amortized cost and fair value of securities classified as available for sale and held to maturity is as follows:

	December 31, 2004					
	Amortized		nrealized			
	Cost	Gain	Loss	Fair Value		
		(Dollars in	thousands)			
Available for sale:	•					
U.S. Government and agency securities	\$ 388,061	\$ 246	\$ (2,623)	\$ 385,684		
Mortgage-backed securities	1,237,420	3,820	(11,076)	1,230,164		
Municipal securities	246,705	7,564	(1,392)	252,877		
Federal Reserve Bank stock	8,511		_	8,511		
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	32,772	_	_	32,772		
Other securities	17,196			17,196		
Total securities available for sale	\$1,930,665	\$11,630	<u>\$(15,091</u>)	<u>\$1,927,204</u>		
Held to maturity:						
Mortgage-backed securities	\$ 58,033	\$ 536	<u>\$</u>	\$ 58,569		
Total securities held to maturity	\$ 58,033	\$ 536	<u>\$</u>	\$ 58,569		
		Decembe	er 31, 2003			
•	Amortized	Gross U	J nrealized			
	Cost	Gain	Loss	Fair Value		
		(Dollars in	thousands)			
Available for sale:						
U.S. Government and agency securities	\$ 250,359	\$ 841	\$ (102)	\$ 251,098		
Mortgage-backed securities	1,101,988	7,078	(8,320)	1,100,746		
Municipal securities	152,927	5,905	(754)	158,078		
Federal Reserve Bank stock	4,459		_	4,459		
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	25,469		_	25,469		
Other securities	9,455	93		9,548		
Total securities available for sale	\$1,544,657	\$13,917	<u>\$(9,176)</u>	\$1,549,398		

The following table displays the gross unrealized losses and fair value of investments as of December 31, 2004 that were in a continuous unrealized loss position for the periods indicated:

	Less Than 1	Less Than 12 Months		n 12 Months	Total			
	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss		
	(Dollars in thousands)							
U.S. Government and agency securities	\$ 272,478	\$ (2,623)	\$ <u></u>	\$ —	\$ 272,478	\$ (2,623)		
Mortgage-backed securities	722,889	(7,035)	202,543	(4,041)	925,432	(11,076)		
Municipal securities	56,349	(1,048)	12,668	(344)	69,017	(1,392)		
Total	\$1,051,716	<u>\$(10,706)</u>	\$215,211	<u>\$(4,385)</u>	<u>\$1,266,927</u>	<u>\$(15,091)</u>		

Declines in the fair value of individual securities below their cost that are other than temporary would result in write-downs, as a realized loss, of the individual securities to their fair value. Management believes that based upon the credit quality of the debt securities and the Company's intent and ability to hold the securities until their recovery, none of the unrealized loss on securities should be considered other than temporary.

The scheduled maturities of securities classified as available for sale and held to maturity is as follows:

	December	r 31, 2004	December 31, 2003			
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value		
		(Dollars in	thousands)			
Available for sale:						
Within one year	\$ 112,383	\$ 112,287	\$ 24,833	\$ 25,056		
After one year through five years	301,809	300,350	231,279	232,022		
After five years through ten years	124,951	127,665	19,248	19,962		
Over ten years	95,623	98,259	127,926	132,136		
	634,766	638,561	403,286	409,176		
Mortgage-backed securities	1,237,420	1,230,164	1,101,988	1,100,746		
Federal Reserve Bank stock	8,511	8,511	4,459	4,459		
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	32,772	32,772	25,469	25,469		
Other securities	17,196	17,196	9,455	9,548		
Total securities available for sale	\$1,930,665	<u>\$1,927,204</u>	<u>\$1,544,657</u>	\$1,549,398		
Held to maturity:						
Mortgage-backed securities	\$ 58,033	\$ 58,569	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>		
Total securities held to maturity	\$ 58,033	\$ 58,569	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>		

Securities with a carrying value of \$1.13 billion and \$921.6 million at December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively, have been pledged to collateralize repurchase agreements, public deposits, and other items.

Gross gains of \$2.3 million, \$2.2 million, and \$2.3 million and gross losses of \$2.3 million, \$961,000, and \$562,000 were recognized on sales of investment securities for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. The tax expense (benefit) applicable to these net realized gains and losses was (\$4,000), \$429,000, and \$608,000, respectively.

4. Loans

A summary of loans outstanding classified by purpose follows:

	December 31,		
	2004	2003	
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Commercial and industrial	\$2,052,051	\$1,502,802	
Real estate:			
Construction and land development	800,335	709,914	
1-4 family residential	720,825	562,954	
Other	835,416	575,155	
Consumer	132,226	142,512	
Unamortized loan premiums and discounts, net	9,465	6,107	
Unearned income and fees, net of related costs	(10,740)	(7,771)	
Allowance for loan losses	(49,408)	<u>(41,611</u>)	
Loans held for investment, net	4,490,170	3,450,062	
Loans held for sale	107,404	96,899	
Total loans, net.	<u>\$4,597,574</u>	\$3,546,961	

An analysis of the allowance for loan losses, which includes activity related to allowances on impaired loans calculated in accordance with SFAS No. 114 and activity related to other loan loss allowances determined in accordance with SFAS No. 5, is as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2004	2003	2002	
	(Dol	lars in thousa	nds)	
Allowance for loan losses, beginning balance	\$41,611	\$35,449	\$30,856	
Provision charged against operations	10,212	11,850	11,037	
Charge-offs	(9,032)	(8,265)	(7,092)	
Recoveries	3,147	1,151	736	
Allowance acquired through mergers and acquisitions	3,470	1,426		
Adjustment for sale of subsidiary			(88)	
Allowance for loan losses, ending balance	<u>\$49,408</u>	<u>\$41,611</u>	<u>\$35,449</u>	

The following is a summary of loans considered to be impaired:

	December 31,	
	2004	2003
	(Dollars in	thousands)
Impaired loans with no SFAS No. 114 valuation reserve	\$ 4,342	\$ 8,838
Impaired loans with a SFAS No. 114 valuation reserve	20,944	7,970
Total recorded investment in impaired loans	<u>\$25,286</u>	<u>\$16,808</u>
Valuation allowance related to impaired loans	\$ 5,848	\$ 2,768

The average recorded investment in impaired loans during 2004, 2003, and 2002 was \$21.0 million, \$19.9 million, and \$22.1 million, respectively. Interest income on impaired loans of \$170,000, \$0, and \$178,000 was recognized for cash payments received in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The increase in the

valuation allowance related to impaired loans is the result of an increase in the recorded investment in impaired loans from \$16.8 million at December 31, 2003 to \$25.3 million at December 31, 2004.

The Company has loans, deposits, and other transactions with its principal shareholders, officers, directors and organizations with which such persons are associated which were made in the ordinary course of business. The aggregate amount of term loans to such related parties was \$91.7 million and \$59.2 million at December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively. Following is an analysis of activity with respect to these amounts:

	December 31,		
	2004	2003	
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 59,207	\$ 46,562	
New loans	49,182	37,199	
Repayments	(16,697)	(24,554)	
Balance, end of year	\$ 91,692	\$ 59,207	
Revolving lines of credit to related parties	\$ 84,052	\$ 78,292	
Amount outstanding under revolving lines of credit	35,756	43,209	

5. Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment consist of the following:

	December 31,		
	2004	2003	
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Land	\$ 39,056	\$ 20,035	
Premises and leasehold improvements	111,938	87,689	
Furniture and equipment	112,847	91,842	
	263,841	199,566	
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(99,398)	(81,615)	
	\$164,443	\$117,951	

6. Goodwill and Core Deposit Intangibles

Changes in the carrying amount of the Company's goodwill and core deposit intangibles for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,				
		2004	2003		
	Goodwill	Core Deposit Intangibles (Dollars in	Goodwill thousands)	Core Deposit Intangibles	
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 25,647	\$ 6,185.	\$ 2,590	. \$ —	
Acquisition of Maxim	_	_	23,057	7,553	
Acquisition of Reunion	29,755	6,379		· —	
Acquisition of Klein	94,248	19,629			
Adjustment to acquisition of Maxim	196	·			
Amortization	***********	<u>(4,947</u>)		(1,368)	
Balance, end of year	\$149,846	<u>\$27,246</u>	\$25,647	\$ 6,185	

The following table shows the current period and estimated future amortization expense for core deposit intangibles:

	Core Deposit Intangibles
	(Dollars in thousands)
Year ended December 31, 2004	\$4,947
Estimate for year ended December 31,	
2005	\$7,980
2006	5,431
2007	4,141
2008	3,137
2009	2,212
Thereafter	4,345

7. Other Assets

Other assets consist of the following:

	December 31,			31,	
	2	2004		2003	
	(Dollars in thous			isands)	
Other real estate and foreclosed property	\$	8,887	\$	4,248	
Deferred income taxes		_		2,561	
Banker's acceptances		429		2,422	
Investment in unconsolidated investees		9,671		4,549	
Cash value of Bank-owned life insurance	12	27,189	i	21,665	
Factored receivables	3	35,126		31,958	
Mortgage servicing rights, net		7,121		8,299	
Other	2	20,659		17,861	
	\$20	9,082	<u>\$1</u>	93,563	

Investments in unconsolidated investees represent equity investments in the Trusts and enterprises that primarily make investments in middle market businesses in the form of debt and equity capital. Unfunded commitments to unconsolidated investees were approximately \$12.6 million at December 31, 2004. The Company has no other guarantees of investee activity.

8. Mortgage Servicing Rights

The Company originates residential and commercial mortgage loans both for its own portfolio and to sell to investors with servicing rights retained through its ownership of Amegy Mortgage. Amegy Mortgage also purchases mortgage servicing rights.

Mortgage servicing assets are periodically evaluated for impairment based upon the fair value of the rights as compared to amortized cost. Impairment is determined by stratifying rights by predominant characteristics, such as interest rates and original loan term (primarily 15 and 30 years). Fair value is determined by using quoted market prices for mortgage servicing rights with similar characteristics, when available, or based upon discounted cash flows using market-based assumptions. In periods of falling market interest rates, accelerated loan prepayment speeds can adversely impact the fair value of these mortgage-servicing rights relative to their book value. In the event that the fair value of these assets were to increase in

the future, the Company can recognize the increased fair value to the extent of the impairment allowance but cannot recognize an asset in excess of its amortized book value. Any provision and subsequent recovery would be recorded as a component of other fee income in the consolidated statement of income.

The following table summarizes the changes in capitalized mortgage servicing rights for the periods indicated:

·	Year Ended December 31,		
	2004	2003	2002
•	(Dollars in thousands)		
Mortgage servicing rights:			
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 8,299	\$10,628	\$12,008
Originations	1,046	2,196	1,996
Purchases		281	804
Amortization	(2,224)	<u>(4,806</u>)	(4,180)
Balance, end of period	7,121	8,299	10,628
Valuation allowance:			
Balance, beginning of period	· —	2,371	
Provision		234	2,700
Recovery		(2,605)	(329)
Balance, end of period			2,371
Mortgage servicing rights, net	<u>\$ 7,121</u>	\$ 8,299	\$ 8,257

The fair value of these servicing rights was approximately \$10.1 million, \$10.9 million, and \$9.8 million at December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. The fair value of servicing rights was determined using discount rates ranging from 9.5% to 20.5% and prepayment speeds ranging from 194.3% to 1,527.5% of standard Public Securities Association prepayment speeds, depending upon the stratification of the specific mortgage servicing right. A decrease in mortgage interest rates of 25 basis points and 50 basis points would result in an estimated fair value of capitalized mortgage servicing rights of \$9.6 million and \$9.1 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2004.

The portfolio of loans serviced for others totaled \$849.9 million, \$931.0 million, and \$1.07 billion at December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. Capitalized mortgage servicing rights represent 84 basis points, 89 basis points, and 77 basis points of the portfolio serviced at December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively.

To the extent that capitalized mortgage servicing rights exceed fair value, a valuation allowance is recorded. During the third quarter of 2003, the Company recognized a non-cash, pretax, recovery of the carrying value of the mortgage servicing asset of \$2.6 million in accordance with the quarterly revaluation of the capitalized mortgage servicing costs. With this recovery, the Company's valuation allowance originally recorded in the third quarter of 2002 has been fully recovered.

The provision for capitalized mortgage servicing rights in excess of fair value and subsequent recovery are included in other fee income in the consolidated statement of income for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. No such provision was recognized in 2004.

9. Deposits

At December 31, 2004, scheduled maturities of time deposits are summarized as follows:

	December 31, 2004
	(Dollars in thousands)
2004	\$1,059,003
2005	185,799
2006	36,130
2007	22,330
2008	13,324
Thereafter	9
	\$1,316,595
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At December 31, 2004 and 2003, the aggregate amount of deposits from related parties was \$115.8 million and \$85.5 million, respectively.

Brokered deposits were \$121.3 million and \$156.4 million at December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively. The Bank's brokered deposits are attributable to a major treasury management relationship whereby the Bank provides banking and treasury management services to mortgage companies throughout the United States. Under this relationship, a referring source, whose business is to lend money to mortgage companies, introduces its customers to the Bank. Deposits garnered as a result of those introductions are classified as brokered deposits for financial and regulatory reporting purposes.

10. Subordinated Debentures

Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures

The Company has issued a total of \$149.5 million of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures to three wholly-owned statutory business trusts, Statutory Trust I ("Trust I"), Statutory Trust II ("Trust III"), and Statutory Trust III ("Trust III"). The trusts are considered variable interest entities for which the Company is not the primary beneficiary. Accordingly, the accounts of the trusts are not included in the Company's consolidated financial statements. See "Note 1 — Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" for additional information about the Company's consolidation policy. Details of the Company's transactions with these trusts are presented below.

Description	Issuance Date	Maturity Date	Trust Preferred Securities Outstanding		Interest Rate	Interest Rate at December 31, 2004	Redemption Date
				(Dollars	in thousands)		
Statutory Trust I	10/7/2003	12/17/2033	\$ 50,000	\$ 51,547	3-month LIBOR plus 2.85%	5.35%	12/17/2008
Statutory Trust II	9/24/2004	10/7/2034	35,000	36,083	3-month LIBOR plus 1.90%	3.84%	10/7/2009
Statutory Trust III	12/13/2004	12/15/2034	60,000	61,856	3-month LIBOR plus 1.78%	4.24%	12/15/2009
			\$145,000	\$149,486			

The Debentures are the sole assets of the Trusts and are subordinate to all of the Company's existing and future obligations for borrowed or purchased money, obligations under letters of credit and certain derivative contracts, and any guarantees by the Company of any of such obligations. The proceeds, net of issuance costs,

from these offerings were used to fund the cash purchase price for Reunion and Klein and to augment the Company's capital ratios to support its loan growth. See "Note 2 — Merger Related Activity" for further discussion of the mergers.

The Company's obligations under the Debentures, the related indentures, the trust agreements relating to the trust securities, and the guarantees constitute full and unconditional guarantees by the Company of the obligations of the Trusts under the trust preferred securities.

The Debentures are subject to redemption at the option of the Company, subject to prior regulatory approval, in whole or in part on or after the dates indicated in the table above, or in full within 90 days after the occurrence of certain events that either would have a negative tax effect on the Trusts or the Company, would cause the trust preferred securities to no longer qualify as Tier 1 capital, or would result in the Trusts being treated as an investment company. Upon repayment of the Debentures at their stated maturity or following their earlier redemption, the Trusts will use the proceeds of such repayment to redeem an equivalent amount of outstanding trust preferred securities and trust common securities.

Senior Subordinated Debentures

On September 22, 2004, the Company entered into a Subordinated Debenture Purchase Agreement. Under the terms of this agreement, the Company issued an aggregate principal amount of \$75.0 million in floating rate subordinated debt. All amounts due and owed under the Subordinated Debenture are to be repaid in full on September 22, 2014. The Subordinated Debenture bears interest at LIBOR plus 125 basis points. The interest rate on the Subordinated Debenture was 3.17% at December 31, 2004. This agreement includes a financial covenant that the Company shall maintain such capital as may be necessary to cause the Company to be classified as "adequately capitalized" and the Bank shall maintain such capital as may be necessary to cause it to be classified as "well capitalized" as of the end of each calendar quarter. Upon declaration of or a continuing event of default, the Company will be restricted from declaring or paying or causing or permitting any subsidiary to pay a cash dividend or other distribution to parties that are ranked junior to the holders of the subordinated debt. The Company has agreed to certain restrictions on its ability to incur additional indebtedness that is senior to the Subordinated Debenture. If the subordinated debt ceases to qualify as Tier 2 capital under the applicable rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Governor of the Federal Reserve System, the Company and the lender may restructure the debt as a senior unsecured obligation of the Company or the Company may repay the debt. The Company used the proceeds of the debenture to fund the cash purchase price for Klein and to augment the Company's capital ratios to support its loan growth. See "Note 2 — Merger Related Activity" for further discussion of the merger.

11. Securities Sold Under Repurchase Agreements and Other Borrowings

Securities sold under repurchase agreements and short-term borrowings generally represent borrowings with maturities ranging from one to thirty days. Short-term borrowings consist of federal funds purchased, overnight borrowings with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas ("the FHLB"), and U.S. Treasury demand notes. U.S. Treasury demand notes represent borrowings from the U.S. Treasury that are secured by qualifying securities and commercial loans and are placed at the discretion of the U.S. Treasury. The Company's long-term borrowings generally consist of borrowings with the Federal Home Loan Bank

("FHLB") with original maturities in excess of one year. Information relating to these borrowings is summarized as follows:

	December 31,	
	2004	2003
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Securities sold under repurchase agreements:		
Average	\$357,692	\$261,320
Period-end	273,344	285,571
Maximum month-end balance during period	518,719	303,764
Interest rate:		
Weighted average for the period	0.96%	0.88%
Weighted average at period-end	1.29%	0.72%
Short-term borrowings:		
Average	\$543,159	\$276,193
Period-end	759,624	473,154
Maximum month-end balance during period	929,074	473,154
Interest rate:		
Weighted average for the period	1.40%	1.11%
Weighted average at period-end	2.19%	0.98%
Long-term borrowings:		
Average	\$109,983	\$172,744
Period-end	10,410	206,658
Maximum month-end balance during period	210,788	306,824
Interest rate:		•
Weighted average for the period	1.61%	1.68%
Weighted average at period-end	6.01%	1.30%

Securities sold under repurchase agreements generally include U.S. Government and agency securities and are maintained in safekeeping by correspondent banks. The Company enters into these repurchase agreements as a service to its customers.

Subject to certain limitations, the Bank may borrow funds from the FHLB in the form of advances. Credit availability from the FHLB to the Bank is based on the Bank's financial and operating condition. Borrowings from the FHLB by the Bank were approximately \$557.4 million and \$203.3 million at December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively, and are included as a component of other borrowings in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. The Bank has pledged \$601.7 million of its securities portfolio and \$893.6 million of its loan portfolio as collateral for its borrowings from the FHLB at December 31, 2004. In addition to creditworthiness, the Bank must own a minimum amount of FHLB capital stock. Currently, the minimum is 0.15% of total assets or \$1,000, whichever is greater (not to exceed \$25 million), plus 4.25% of outstanding advance balances plus 4.25% of the outstanding principal balance of Mortgage Partnership Finance Program loans retained in the Bank's balance sheet. Unused borrowing capacity at December 31, 2004 was approximately \$897.4 million.

At December 31, 2004, the contractual maturities of long-term borrowings are as follows:

	Year Ending December 31,
	(Dollars in thousands)
2005	\$ 2,487
2006	526
2007	568
2008	1,024
2009	652
Thereafter	5,153
	\$10,410

12. Income Taxes

The income tax provision (benefit) for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002 is composed of the following:

	2004	2003	2002
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Current	\$29,036	\$28,047	\$24,235
Deferred	(1,345)	(640)	2,758
Total	\$27,691	\$27,407	\$26,993

The types of temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their financial reporting amounts that give rise to deferred income tax assets and liabilities and their approximate tax effects are as follows:

	December 31, 2004		December	31, 2003		
	Temporary Differences	Tax Effect	Temporary Differences	Tax Effect		
•	(Dollars in thousan			ands)		
Future deductible differences:						
Allowance for loan losses	\$34,330	\$12,015	\$31,264	\$10,942		
Mortgage servicing rights	2,485	870	3,558	1,245		
Unrealized loss on securities available for sale	3,461	1,211	_	_		
Unfunded pension liability	1,494	523	1,420	497		
Other	3,457	1,210	961	336		
Deferred income tax asset	<u>\$45,227</u>	15,829	\$37,203	13,020		

	December	31, 2004	December 31, 2003	
	Temporary Tax Differences Effect		Temporary Differences	Tax Effect
		(Dollars in	thousands)	
Future taxable differences:				
Unrealized gain on securities available for sale	\$ -	\$ —	\$ 4,741	\$ 1,763
Market discount on securities	1,946	681	1,626	569
Federal Home Loan Bank stock dividends	2,793	978	2,304	806
Bank premises	17,461	6,111	8,792	3,077
Core deposit intangibles and loan premiums	37,298	13,054	12,126	4,244
Deferred income tax liability	<u>\$59,498</u>	20,824	\$29,589	10,459
Net deferred tax asset (liability)		<u>\$(4,995</u>)		<u>\$ 2,561</u>

The reconciliation between the Company's effective income tax rate and the statutory federal income tax rate is as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2004	2003	2002	
Statutory federal income tax rate	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	
Tax-exempt income from Bank-owned life insurance	(2.55)	(2.38)	(1.90)	
Tax-exempt interest income	(3.66)	(2.59)	(1.95)	
Other	0.29	1.07	0.16	
Effective income tax rate	29.08%	<u>31.10</u> %	31.31%	

13. Comprehensive Income

The components of comprehensive income are reported in the accompanying consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity.

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax, are as follows:

	December 31,		
	2004	2003	
w.	(Dollars in the	ousands)	
Net unrealized gain (loss) on securities available for sale	\$(2,250)	\$ 2,973	
Minimum pension liability	<u>(971</u>)	(923)	
Total accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	\$(3,221)	\$ 2,050	

14. Employee Benefits

Stock-Based Compensation Plan

The Company sponsors, and currently grants awards under, the Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc. 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Omnibus Plan"), which is a stock-based compensation plan as described below. The Company has also sponsored similar stock-based compensation plans in prior years.

Stock Options

Under the Omnibus Plan, the Company is authorized to issue up to 4,500,000 shares of common stock pursuant to "Awards" granted in the form of incentive stock options which qualify under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), nonqualified stock options which do not qualify under Section 422 of the Code, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance shares, performance units, covered employee annual incentive awards, and other stock-based awards. Awards may be granted to selected employees and directors of the Company or any subsidiary. The Omnibus Plan provides that the exercise price of any qualified incentive stock option may not be less than the fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant, and that the exercise price of any nonqualified stock option may be equal to, greater than or less than the fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant.

The Company granted 861,051, 1,237,200 and 1,276,000 stock options in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively. These stock options were granted with an exercise price as determined in each individual grant agreement. The majority of the options granted in 2004 vest over a four year period commencing on the date of the grant (i.e., 25% vest on each anniversary of the date of grant) The majority of the options granted in prior years vest over a five year period commencing on the date of grant (i.e., 60% vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant and 20% vest on each of the next two anniversaries of the date of grant) with the remaining options vesting over a period not to exceed five years.

In accordance with APB 25, compensation expense is recognized for discounted stock options granted and for performance-based stock options granted (but not for the stock options having exercise prices equal to the fair market value on the date of grant). The Company has recognized \$0 of compensation expense in connection with these grants in 2004 and 2003 and \$19,000 of compensation expense in connection with these grants in 2002.

A summary of the status of the Company's stock options as of December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 and the change during the years is as follows:

	2004		2003		2002	
	Number of Shares Underlying Options	Weighted Average Exercise Prices	Number of Shares Underlying Options	Weighted Average Exercise Prices	Number of Shares Underlying Options	Weighted Average Exercise Prices
Outstanding at beginning of the year	5,588,106	\$11.36	5,146,192	\$10.00	5,471,866	\$ 7.36
Granted at-the-money	861,051	20.78	1,237,200	15.52	1,276,000	15.60
Exercised	(837,684)	·8.07	(638,376)	7.34	(1,539,406)	5.16
Forfeited	(235,772)	15.17	(156,910)	16.15	(62,268)	11.18
Outstanding at end of year	<u>5,375,701</u>	<u>\$13.18</u>	5,588,106	<u>\$11.36</u>	5,146,192	<u>\$10.00</u>
Exercisable at end of year	<u>2,455,914</u>	\$ 9.02	2,555,350	<u>\$ 7.53</u>	2,400,210	\$ 6.21

The fair value of each stock option granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes stock option valuation model with the following weighted-average assumptions for grants in 2004, 2003 and 2002: dividend yield of 0.58%, 0.65%, and 0.00%, respectively; risk-free interest rates of 3.69%, 2.45% and 4.33%, respectively; the expected lives of options of 5 years; and a volatility of 30.84%, 32.64% and 29.76%, respectively. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the year is as follows:

	2004	2003	2002
Weighted-average fair value of options granted at-the-money	\$6.61	\$4.76	\$5.34
Weighted-average fair value of all options granted during the year	\$6.61	\$4.76	\$5.34

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2004:

	Орг	ions Outstandin	Options Ex	Options Exercisable		
Range of Exercise Prices	Number Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number Exercisable	Weighted Average Exercise Price	
\$0.10 to \$2.50	341,000	*	\$ 1.62	341,000	\$ 1.62	
\$2.51 to \$5.58	397,634	2.1	4.33	397,634	4.33	
\$5.59 to \$7.63	170,700	3.9	6.35	170,700	6.35	
\$7.64 to \$10.10	964,306	4.5	9.02	806,888	8.92	
\$10.11 to \$18.32	2,441,710	7.6	15.15	613,672	14.78	
\$18.33 to \$20.96	388,400	7.9	19.55	126,020	20.01	
\$20.97 to \$24.00	671,951	<u>9.5</u>	21.17			
\$0.10 to \$24.00	5,375,701	*	<u>\$13.18</u>	2,455,914	\$ 9.02	

^{*} All options with an exercise price between \$0.10 to \$2.50 are exercisable while the employee remains an employee at the Company.

Restricted Stock

The Company granted Awards covering 147,390, 107,000, and 236,000 shares of common stock at a weighted-average fair value of \$20.92, \$15.26, and \$16.15 in 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. The majority of the shares covered by the Awards granted in 2004 vest over a four year period commencing on the date of the grant. The shares covered by these Awards granted in prior years generally vest over a five year period commencing on the date of grant; provided, however, that 100% of the shares may vest earlier if certain performance standards have been met by the Company.

In accordance with APB 25, compensation expense is recognized for performance-based restricted stock awards granted under the Omnibus Plan and its predecessor plan. The Company has recognized \$1.8 million, \$1.5 million, and \$834,000 of compensation expense in connection with the above Awards in 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively.

A summary of the status of the Company's restricted stock awards as of December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 and the change during the years is as follows:

	2004	2003	2002
	Number of Shares	Number of Shares	Number of Shares
Outstanding at beginning of the year	293,810	324,528	94,670
Awards granted	147,390	107,000	236,000
Awards vested	(103,310)	(128,690)	
Awards cancelled	(5,700)	(9,028)	(6,142)
Outstanding at end of year	332,190	293,810	324,528
Shares available for award at end of year	1,351,610	177,500	275,472

Non-Employee Directors Deferred Fee Plan

On November 28, 2001, the Directors of the Company approved and adopted a Non-Employee Directors Deferred Fee Plan. This plan, as amended and restated, was approved by the Company's shareholders at the May 5, 2004 annual meeting. Pursuant to this plan, each Director of the Company and each Director of the Bank may elect to defer receipt of all or one-half of his compensation for serving as a director, committee member or committee chairman for a period of time selected by the Director that terminates no later than the date he ceases to be a Board member. The deferred amounts credited to his account during each calendar quarter are deemed to be invested in a number of shares of the Company's common stock determined by dividing the amount of the Director's compensation deferred for that quarter by the closing sale price of the common stock reported by NASDAQ on the last trading day of the quarter and multiplying that result by 1.25 (rounding up to the nearest whole share). Payment from the Director's account will commence as soon as reasonably practicable after the earlier of the director's termination as a member of the Company's or Bank's Board of Directors or the date specified by the director when he elects to make the deferral. The payment from each account will be either lump sum or up to five installments of the Company's common stock. A total of 125,000 shares of Company common stock have been reserved for issuance under the Non-Employee Directors Deferred Fee Plan. The Company has credited 102,301 phantom stock units to Director accounts under this plan.

Benefit Plans

The Company has adopted a contributory profit sharing plan pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) covering substantially all employees ("the 401(k) Plan"). Each year the Company determines, at its discretion, the amount of matching contributions. The Company presently matches 100% of the employee contributions not to exceed 5% of the employee's annual compensation. Total plan expense charged to the Company's operations for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 was \$3.2 million, \$3.0 million, and \$2.5 million, respectively.

The 401(k) Plan provides that the Company may contribute shares of common stock of the Company (valued at the fair market value on the date of contribution) instead of cash. No shares were issued to the 401(k) Plan in 2004, 2003, and 2002.

15. Earnings Per Common Share

Earnings per common share is computed as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2004	2003	2002	
•		(In thousands per share am		
Net income	\$68,543	\$60,729	\$59,206	
Divided by average common shares and common share equivalents:			. •	
Average common shares outstanding	69,104	68,088	66,952	
Average common shares issuable under the stock option plan	1,771	1,628	1,940	
Total average common shares and common share equivalents	70,875	69,716	68,892	
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.89	<u>\$ · 0.88</u>	
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.97	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.86	

Stock options outstanding of 340,557, 288,330, and 297,468 for the years ended December 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively, have not been included in diluted earnings per share because to do so would have been antidilutive for the periods presented. Stock options are antidilutive when the exercise price is higher than the current market price of the Company's common stock.

16. Commitments and Contingencies

Litigation

The Company is involved in various litigation that arises in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management, after consultation with its legal counsel, such litigation is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Leases

The Company leases certain office facilities and office equipment under operating leases. Rent expense for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002 was \$6.1 million, \$5.0 million, and \$5.4 million, respectively. Future minimum lease payments due under noncancelable operating leases at December 31, 2004 are as follows:

	Year Ending December 31,
	(Dollars in thousands)
2005	\$ 4,983
2006	4,506
2007	3,797
2008	5,371
2009	. 5,073
Thereafter	33,004
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The Company leases a portion of the available space in owned buildings that is not utilized. Lease rental income for years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 was \$2.3 million, \$1.9 million, and \$1.5 million, respectively. Lease rental income and rent expense are included in other operating income and other operating expenses, respectively, on the consolidated statement of income.

At December 31, 2004, future minimum lease payments to be received from long-term leases are as follows:

	Year Ending December 31,
	(Dollars in thousands)
2005	\$ 946
2006	760
2007	397
2008	33
2009	2
Thereafter	·
	\$2,138

17. Regulatory Capital Compliance

The Company and the Bank are subject to regulatory risk-based capital requirements that assign risk factors to all assets, including off-balance sheet items such as loan commitments and standby letters of credit. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory, and possibly additional discretionary, actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements. "Tier 1 capital" includes, generally, common shareholders' equity and qualifying noncumulative perpetual preferred stock together with related surplus, qualifying cumulative perpetual preferred securities, and minority interest in equity accounts of consolidated subsidiaries less deductions for goodwill, intangible assets, and certain other items. Some components of Tier 1 capital are restricted in the amounts which may be included. "Tier 2 capital" may consist of limited amounts of subordinated debt, certain hybrid capital instruments and other debt securities, certain preferred stock not qualifying as Tier 1 capital, and the general valuation allowance for loan losses. The sum of Tier 1 capital and Tier 2 capital is "total risk-based capital."

In conjunction with risk-based capital guidelines, the regulators have also adopted guidelines that supplement the risk-based capital guidelines with a minimum leverage ratio of Tier 1 capital to average total consolidated assets ("Tier 1 leverage ratio") of 3.0% for institutions with well diversified risk, including no undue interest rate exposure, excellent control systems, high liquidity, good earnings, well managed on- and off-balance sheet activities that are generally considered to be strong banking organizations, rated composite 1 under applicable federal guidelines, and that are not experiencing or anticipating significant growth. Other banking organizations are required to maintain a Tier 1 leverage ratio of at least 4.0%. These rules further provide that banking organizations experiencing internal growth or making acquisitions will be expected to maintain capital positions substantially above the minimum supervisory levels.

As of December 31, 2004, the most recent notification from the regulators categorized the Bank as "well capitalized" under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. There are no conditions or events since that notification that management believes have changed the category.

The following table compares the Company's and the Bank's reported leverage and risk-weighted capital ratios as of December 31, 2004 and 2003 to the minimum regulatory standards:

	Actual		Minimum (Requiren		Minimum to Capitalized Prompt Co Action Pro	Under rrective
	Amount	Ratio	Amount .	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
			(Dollars in th	ousands)		
As of December 31, 2004				•		
Total Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets):						
The Company	\$683,804	11.02%	\$496,231	8.00%	\$620,289	10.00%
The Bank	676,090	10.91	495,559	8.00	619,449	10.00
Tier 1 Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets):			1			
The Company	559,396	9.02	248,115	4.00	372,173	6.00
The Bank	626,074	10.11	247,780	4.00	371,670	6.00
Tier 1 Capital (to Adjusted Average Assets):	•					
The Company	559,396	7.81	286,337	$4.00^{(1)}$	357,921	5.00
The Bank	626,074	8.77	285,522	4.00 ⁽¹⁾	356,903	5.00

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and the second of the second o	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
$c_{ij} = c_{ij} + c$:		(Dollars in the	ousands)		
As of December 31, 2003				•		
Total Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets):			* •			
The Company	\$558,858	11.90%	\$375,630	8.00%	\$469,537	10.00%
The Bank	504,960	10.77	375,132	8.00	468,915	10.00
Tier 1 Capital (to Risk Weighted Assets):						
The Company	515,850	10.99	187,815	4.00	281,722	6.00
The Bank	461,438	9.84	187,566	4.00	281,349	6.00
Tier 1 Capital (to Adjusted Average Assets):						
The Company	515,850	9.15	225,448	4.00 ⁽¹⁾	281,810	5.00
The Bank	461,438	8.20	225,223	$4.00^{(1)}$	281,529	5.00

⁽¹⁾ The Tier 1 leverage ratio consists of Tier 1 capital divided by quarterly average total assets, excluding goodwill, core deposits intangibles, and certain other items. The minimum leverage ratio guideline is 3% for institutions with well diversified risk, including no undue interest rate exposure, excellent control systems, high liquidity, good earnings, well managed on- and off-balance sheet activities that are generally considered to be strong banking organizations, rated composite 1 under applicable federal guidelines, and that are not experiencing or anticipating significant growth.

The Bank is subject to regulations and, among other things, may be limited in its ability to pay dividends or otherwise transfer funds to the holding company. During 2004 and 2003, the Bank and non-bank subsidiaries declared and paid dividends to the holding company of \$64.4 million and \$51.0 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2004, approximately \$66.7 million was available for payment of dividends by the Bank to the Company under these restrictions without regulatory approval.

In addition, dividends paid by the Bank to the holding company would be prohibited if the effect thereof would cause the Bank's capital to be reduced below applicable minimum capital requirements.

The trust preferred securities issued by the Trusts are included in the Tier 1 capital of the Company for regulatory capital purposes. The Federal Reserve Board may in the future disallow inclusion of trust preferred securities as Tier 1 capital due to the requirements of FIN No. 46. On February 28, 2005, the Federal Reserve Board issued final rules that provide that trust preferred securities may continue to be included in Tier 1 capital subject to quantitative limitations and to deductions for goodwill less any associated deferred tax liability. As of December 31, 2004, if the Company were not permitted to include the \$145.0 million in trust preferred securities in its Tier 1 capital, the Company would still meet the regulatory minimums required to be adequately capitalized.

Included in the Tier 2 capital of the Company for regulatory capital purposes is \$75.0 million in senior subordinated debentures issued on September 22, 2004. If the subordinated debt ceases to qualify as Tier 2 capital under the applicable rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Governor of the Federal Reserve System, the Company and the lender may restructure the debt as a senior unsecured obligation of the Company or the Company may repay the debt.

18. Segment Information

The Company has two operating segments: the bank and the mortgage company. Each segment is managed separately because each business requires different marketing strategies and each offers different products and services.

The Company evaluates each segment's performance based on the revenue and expense from its operations. Intersegment financing arrangements are accounted for at current market rates as if they were with third parties.

Summarized financial information by operating segment for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002 follows:

						Y	ear Ended	De	cember 31,	,					
· ·		2004			2003										
		Bank	Mortgage	Eli	minations	Co	nsolidated		Bank	M	ortgage	Eli	minations	Co	nsolidated
							(Dollars in	th	ousands)						
Interest income	\$	273,942	\$ 15,544	\$	(6,257)	\$	283,229	\$	226,222	\$	15,571	\$	(5,549)	\$	236,244
Interest expense		56,677	6,257	_	(6,257)	_	56,677		45,725	_	5,549	_	(5,549)	_	45,725
Net interest income		217,265	9,287		_		226,552		180,497		10,022		_		190,519
Provision for loan losses		6,090	4,122		_		10,212		11,036		814		_		11,850
Noninterest income		91,938	4,567		_		96,505		76,955	. •	6,254	•	_		83,209
Noninterest expense		209,432	7,179		=	_	216,611	_	165,829	1 '	7,913				173,742
Income before income taxes	\$	93,681	\$ 2,553	\$		<u>\$</u>	96,234	\$	80,587	\$	7,549	\$		\$	88,136
Total assets	\$	7,474,551	\$387,878	\$((356,826)	<u>\$</u>	7,505,603	\$:	5,917,762	\$2	87,725	\$(258,354)	\$5	,947,133
									Year Er	nded	Decem	ber	31, 2002		
							Bank		Mort	gag	e El	imir	ations	Co	nsolidated
									(De	olla	rs in the	usai	nds)		
Interest income							\$ 225,9	74	\$ 15	,82	1 \$	(6,201)	\$	235,594
Interest expense	• •						59,7	79	6	,20	1 _	(<u>6,201</u>)	_	59,779
Net interest income.							166,1	95	.9	,62	0				175,815
Provision for loan loss	ses			·			10,7	46		29	1				11,037
Noninterest income.							66,2	09	•	92	.7				67,136
Noninterest expense							139,3	75	6	,34	0 _				145,715
Income before income	e t	axes	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				\$ 82,2	83	\$ 3	,91	<u>6</u> \$			<u>\$</u>	86,199
Total assets						_	\$5,148,1	37	\$289	.02	1 \$	(26	3.954)	\$5	.173.204

Intersegment interest was paid to the Bank by the mortgage company in the amount of \$6.3 million, \$5.5 million, and \$6.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. Advances from the Bank to the mortgage company of \$356.8 million, \$258.4 million, and \$264.0 million were eliminated in consolidation at December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively.

19. Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk and Concentrations of Credit Risk

In the normal course of business, the Company becomes a party to various financial transactions which, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, are not included in its consolidated balance sheet. These transactions involve various risks, including market and credit risk. Since these transactions generally are not funded, they do not necessarily represent future liquidity requirements. The Company offers these financial instruments to enable its customers to meet their financing objectives and to manage their interest rate risk. Supplying these instruments provides the Company with an ongoing source of fee income. These financial instruments include loan commitments, letters of credit, commitments to sell mortgage loans to permanent investors and financial guarantees on GNMA mortgage-backed securities administered. The Company has commitments to make additional equity investments in enterprises that primarily make investments in middle market businesses in the form of debt and equity capital. These financial instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk in excess of the amounts recognized in the financial statements.

The amount of the Company's financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk as of December 31, 2004 and 2003 is presented below:

	Decem	oer 31,	
	2004 Contract Amount	2003 Contract Amount	
	(Dollars in	thousands)	
Unfunded loan commitments including unfunded lines of credit	\$2,720,246	\$2,135,973	
Standby letters of credit	352,555	227,041	
Commercial letters of credit	19,496	9,528	
Unfunded commitments to unconsolidated investees	12,621	3,753	
Commitments to sell mortgage loans	12,609	10,577	
Guarantees on GNMA securities administered	82,073	86,045	

The Company's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the loan commitments and letters of credit is limited to the contractual amount of those instruments. The Company uses the same credit policies in evaluating loan commitments and letters of credit as it does for on-balance sheet instruments. Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being fully drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments by the Company to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. The Company evaluates each customer's credit worthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary by the Company upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation of the counterparty. Collateral held varies but may include certificates of deposit, accounts receivable, inventory, property, plant and equipment, and real property. As of December 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003, \$402,000 and \$248,000, respectively, has been recorded as a liability for the fair value of the Company's potential obligations under these agreements.

The contract amounts for commitments to sell mortgage loans to permanent investors represent an agreement to sell mortgages currently in the process of funding and commitment terms are generally less than 90 days. The balance at any given date represents recent activity at the mortgage company. The contract amount does not represent exposure to credit loss.

The Company administers GNMA mortgage-backed securities on which it guarantees payment of monthly principal and interest to the security holders. The underlying loans are guaranteed by FHA and VA

mortgage insurance and are collateralized by real estate. In the event of mortgagor default, the Company may only incur losses of costs that may exceed reimbursement limitations established by FHA or VA. The Company believes its exposure is immaterial, and the contract amount does not represent the Company's exposure to credit loss.

The Company originates real estate, commercial, construction and consumer loans primarily to customers in the eight county area in and around Houston. Although the Company has a diversified loan portfolio, a substantial portion of its customers' ability to honor their contracts is dependent upon the local Houston economy and the real estate market.

The Company maintains funds on deposit at correspondent banks which at times exceed the federally insured limits. Management of the Company monitors the balance in these accounts and periodically assesses the financial condition of correspondent banks.

20. Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The fair value of financial instruments provided below represents estimates of fair values at a point in time. Significant estimates regarding economic conditions, loss experience, risk characteristics associated with particular financial instruments and other factors were used for the purposes of this disclosure. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve matters of judgment. Therefore, they cannot be determined with precision. Changes in the assumptions could have a material impact on the amounts estimated.

The estimated fair values disclosed do not reflect the value of assets and liabilities that are not considered financial instruments. In addition, the value of long-term relationships with depositors (core deposit intangibles) and other customers is only reflected for deposits acquired through mergers accounted for as a purchase. The value of these unrecorded items is believed to be significant.

Because of the wide range of valuation techniques and the numerous estimates which must be made, it may be difficult to make reasonable comparisons of the Company's fair value information to that of other financial institutions. It is important that the many uncertainties discussed above be considered when using the estimated fair value disclosures and to realize that because of these uncertainties, the aggregate fair value amount should in no way be construed as representative of the underlying value of the Company.

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in estimating its fair value disclosures for financial instruments:

Cash and Cash Equivalents: The carrying amounts for cash and cash equivalents approximate their fair values.

Securities: Fair values for investment securities are based on quoted market prices. The fair value of stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas and the Federal Reserve Bank is estimated to be equal to its carrying amount given it is not a publicly traded equity security, it has an adjustable dividend rate, and transactions in the stock are executed at the stated par value.

Loans Held for Sale: Fair values of loans held for sale are estimated based on outstanding commitments from investors or current market prices for similar loans.

Loans and Accrued Interest Receivable: For variable-rate loans that reprice frequently and with no significant change in credit risk, fair values are based on carrying values. The fair value of all other loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses, using interest rates currently being offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality. Fair values for impaired loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses or underlying collateral values, where applicable. The carrying amount of accrued interest approximates its fair value.

Derivatives. Fair value is defined as the amount that the Company would receive or pay to terminate the contracts at the reporting date. Market or dealer quotes are used to value the instruments.

Off-Balance-Sheet Instruments: The fair values of the Company's lending commitments, letters of credit, commitments to sell loans and guarantees are based on fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreements and the counterparties' credit standing. The fair value of the Company's option contracts are based on the estimated amounts the Company would receive from terminating the contracts at the reporting date.

Deposit Liabilities and Accrued Interest Payable: The fair values disclosed for demand deposits (e.g. interest and noninterest checking and money market accounts) are, by definition, equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date. Fair values for fixed-rate time deposits are estimated using a discounted cash flow analysis, using interest rates currently being offered on certificates with similar remaining maturities. The carrying amount of accrued interest approximates its fair value.

Borrowings: The fair value of federal funds purchased, securities sold under repurchase agreements, senior subordinated debentures, junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures, and other borrowings are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis using interest rates currently offered for borrowings with similar maturities.

The following table summarizes the carrying values and estimated fair values of financial instruments (all of which are held for purposes other than trading):

	December	31, 2004	December	31, 2003
	Carrying Estimated Amount Fair Value		Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
•		(Dollars in	thousands)	
ASS	SETS			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 327,558	\$ 327,558	\$ 390,890	\$ 390,890
Federal funds sold and other cash equivalents	14,417	14,417	94,908	94,908
Securities	1,985,237	1,985,773	1,549,398	1,549,398
Loans held for sale	107,404	107,512	96,899	96,899
Loans held for investment	4,539,578	4,526,456	3,491,673	3,469,022
Allowance for loan losses	(49,408)	(49,408)	(41,611)	(41,611)
Accrued interest receivable	30,200	30,200	21,630	21,630
LIABI	LITIES			
Deposits	\$5,620,043	\$5,064,643	\$4,403,239	\$4,092,790
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	273,344	273,344	285,571	285,460
Borrowings	994,520	996,175	731,359	732,099
Accrued interest payable	2,902	2,902	1,822	1,822

The fair value of the Company's derivatives and off-balance sheet financial instruments was immaterial at December 31, 2004 and 2003.

21. Supplemental Cash Flow Information

Supplemental cash flow information for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002 is as follows:

	December 31,			
	2004	2003	2002	
	(Do	llars in thousa	ınds)	
Cash paid for interest	\$55,597	\$45,557	\$60,687	
Cash paid for income taxes	27,884	30,850	13,050	
Non-cash investing and financing activities:				
Loans transferred to foreclosed real estate	10,489	4,393	1,115	
Issuance of common stock for the Klein acquisition	15,802	_	_	

On July 1, 2003, the Company purchased all of the capital stock of Maxim for \$63.0 million. On January 31, 2004, the Company purchased all of the capital stock of Reunion for \$50.0 million. On October 1, 2004, the Company purchased all of the capital stock of Klein for \$165.0 million. In conjunction with these acquisitions, liabilities were assumed as follows:

	Maxim July 1, 2003	Reunion January 31, 2004 (Dollars in thousan	Klein October 1, 2004 ds)
Fair value of assets acquired	•	\$261,523	\$ 713,074
Cash paid for the capital stock	(63,040)	(50,000)	(165,000)
Liabilities assumed	<u>\$285,748</u>	<u>\$211,523</u>	<u>\$ 548,074</u>

22. Parent Company Only Condensed Financial Statements

The balance sheet, statement of income and statement of cash flows for the parent company are as follows:

BALANCE SHEET

	December 31,		
	2004	2003	
	(Dollars in	thousands)	
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 943	\$ 48,720	
Securities — available for sale		2,257	
Investment in subsidiary	801,643	498,784	
Other assets	2,962	2,053	
Total assets	\$805,548	<u>\$551,814</u>	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Senior subordinated debenture	\$ 75,000	\$ —	
Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures	149,486	51,547	
Accrued interest payable	645	493	
Other liabilities	3	453	
Shareholders' equity	580,414	499,321	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$805,548	<u>\$551,814</u>	

SOUTHWEST BANCORPORATION OF TEXAS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — (Continued)

STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2004	2003	2002			
	(Dol	nds)				
Interest income on securities	\$ 86	\$ 100	\$ 118			
Interest expense on borrowings	3,561	516	106			
Net interest expense	(3,475)	(416)	12			
Other income:						
Dividends received from subsidiary	64,400	51,000	10,980			
Other operating income	9	_	_			
Gain on sale of securities	6		334			
Total other income	64,415	51,000	11,314			
Operating expenses	2,133	1,661	953			
Equity in undistributed income of subsidiary	7,742	11,067	48,643			
Income before income taxes	66,549	59,990	59,016			
Income tax benefit	(1,994)	<u>(739</u>)	(190)			
Net income	<u>\$68,543</u>	<u>\$60,729</u>	<u>\$59,206</u>			

SOUTHWEST BANCORPORATION OF TEXAS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — (Continued)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2004	2003	2002		
	(Dol	lars in thousands)		
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income	\$ 68,543	\$ 60,729	\$59,206		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Equity in undistributed income of subsidiary	(7,742)	(11,067)	(48,643)		
Gain on sale of securities	(6)		_		
Amortization	1,766	1,498	853		
Increase in other assets	(774)	(189)	(186)		
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable and other					
liabilities	(298)	946			
Net cash provided by operating activities	61,489	51,917	11,230		
Cash flow from investing activities:					
Purchase of securities available for sale	(3)	(2,128)	(7,968)		
Sales of securities available for sale	2,258	12,025	_		
Contributions to subsidiaries	(191,066)	(145,413)	(845)		
Purchase of Maxim, net of cash acquired of \$142,658	_	79,618	· -		
Purchase of Reunion, net of cash acquired of \$30,596	(19,404)	_	_		
Purchase of Klein, net of cash acquired of \$78,060	(71,138)				
Net cash used in investing activities	(279,353)	(55,898)	(8,813)		
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Proceeds from borrowings	172,939	51,547	- .		
Payments on borrowings	_	_	(10,000)		
Payments of dividends on common stock	(8,301)	(3,418)			
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock	6,757	4,715	7,842		
Purchase of treasury stock	(1,308)	(416)			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	170,087	52,428	(2,158)		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(47,777)	48,447	259		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	48,720	273	14		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 943	\$ 48,720	\$ 273		
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It's never about any one single product advantage.

How does a bank provide capital and help companies become more efficient, productive and successful?

Answer: "Pay attention, and always put your customers ahead of everything else." Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer Joe Argue says it takes the right people to make that philosophy more than lip service. "Our bankers' level of experience, knowledge and the respect and reputation they have in our communities are as good as it gets."

"They take the time to get to know you and your principles in business and life," says Gerald Merfish, Executive Manager,
Merfish Pipe & Supply, a longtime customer of the Bank. "It's more about making sense than trying to fit you into some formula.

I think that's what we really cherish about this relationship."

Eric Wagner, President of Wagner Plate Works, a specialty steel manufacturer, expects a bank to understand his industry: "That's a big differentiating factor. Their knowledge gives them the ability to respond quickly to our specific needs, and that makes them a very solid banking partner we can count on. As far as the operation of our business goes, they've helped us with everything."

Responds Community Banker Kafi Slaughter, "We work in a flexible, local decision-making environment where we have the ability to customize solutions and get it done for our customers."

For Men's Wearhouse, adding a retail dry cleaning business to their retail portfolio prompted the need for lockbox services. "The Bank's products are always outstanding; so is their commitment to our projects," says Claudia Pruitt, Vice President and Treasurer, Men's Wearhouse. "There's just a consistency that makes this relationship so much easier."

An important part of that consistency for Anthony DeLuca, Managing Director of SCF Partners, comes from the Bank's understanding and experience in his industry. "The energy service industry is characterized by cycles, and we can count on this Bank to make steady, long-term decisions. They stick with you when the times are tough, and they maintain discipline during all the cycles of our business."

"There are lending and capital markets solutions for every business customer," says Carmen Jordan, Commercial Energy Banker. "We're growing with our larger customers and better serving smaller businesses. We're able to move through different stages of a company's life because we have the resources and experience, and we're local and accessible."

And for companies operating in different countries, having local access backed by products such as eFX, which completes foreign exchange transactions in a matter of seconds, can make all the difference in the world.

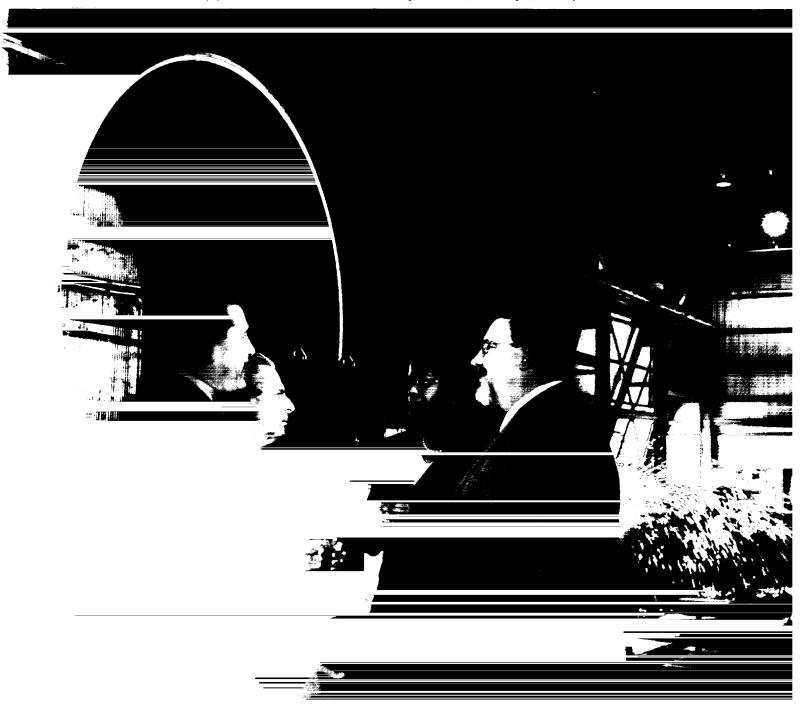
"Our clients also know we can help them in the global market place," says International Banker TJ Raguso. "We understand international trade and foreign exchange, and the risks involved in these transactions, and we can bring the best ideas and the right people together."

We use many of the Bank's products and services. It would be easier to list the few that we don't.

Rochelle Jacobson, Executive Manager, Merfish Pipe & Supply



Eric Wagner, President and CEO; James McIntosh, Managing Partner; and John Peters, Vice President, each with Wagner Plate Works, and Kafi Slaughter, Community Banker



Service is the most important benefit included in each product.

How do you keep service simple and consistent for your customers?

Answer: For Eleanor Greer, it means making house calls. "I've developed relationships over the years with many of our senior-citizen customers in League City. We're just drawn to each other. When they need me, I go to their houses and offer whatever assistance they need. They always know if they can't get to me, I'll certainly get to them."

"We look at things differently than any other bank," says Retail Banking Leader Ken Olan. "While others look at products and customer service as two separate things, we look at them together. Product and the way we treat people are one and the same, but the way you are treated is the part you never forget."

When one of Mariana Sanchez's customers came in to check the balance on an account, Mariana quickly realized the customer could use the resources of a Home Equity Loan to pay off some high-rate credit card bills. With the money the family would be saving every month, Mariana also recommended that they open a savings account.

"It was an overwhelming feeling of satisfaction when the customer came in to thank me for guiding her to a financial solution," says Mariana. "A few months ago, she didn't see an end to her debts. Now she is saving for her family's future." An important part of service delivery happens behind the scenes. "Our technology supports our customers," explains Operations Manager Shanta Waddy. "For instance, we have a program to enable tellers to verify signatures on screens in front of them. This saves waiting time for customers. Also combined statements allow customers with multiple accounts to view all activity in one place, and we pioneered e-statements, which eliminates paper for customers."

It's all about creating solutions that build trusting relationships. "The trust factor is why so many of our retail customers have asked us to help with their investments," says Investment Banker Brian Hays. "We have investment counselors in the banking centers to help with retirement planning, income alternatives, college education planning and wealth accumulation."

"We realize that every dollar a customer has is extremely important to him or her," sums up Olan. "What we want to show our customers is just how important their relationship is to us."

We want to make doing business with us easy and convenient. We're down the block, online, or accessible by telephone 24 hours a day.

Ken Olan, Retail Banking, Amegy Bank



The Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex is one of the most attractive financial markets in the country.

How does a bank compete and succeed in the North Texas market?

Answer: "We've made a major commitment to Dallas," says Terry Kelley, Chairman of the Dallas-Fort Worth region. "We're making significant investments in terms of people, technology and resources. For instance, we built an operations center in Dallas for lockbox and check processing on the front end of coming into the market. We don't believe in trying to convince a Dallas business to have a Houston lockbox. Our approach has been well received. It says a lot about how we serve clients. And an investment like this says we're here to stay."

The market reception has been very positive. He adds, "Business leaders want to see strong, independent banks. They know it's good for the economy. They appreciate our focus on Texas and the Texas perspective."

ACE Cash Express, the largest owner, operator and franchiser of check-cashing stores in the United States, is one of such businesses. It has grown its relationship with the Bank to include Treasury Management services. "I tell the Bank what we need, and it's done – and done right," says Wanda Strong, Vice President, Cash Management and Assistant Treasurer. "I've been handling cash management for years and worked with a lot of banks. I don't know that I've ever seen another bank consistently operate at this level."

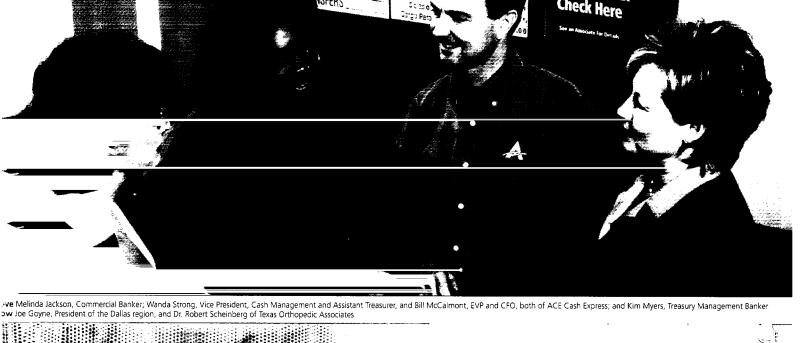
With its structure firmly in place, the Bank has turned its attention to growing its business in Dallas. "We see so much opportunity," says Commercial Banker Bill Stroope. "The middle market here is broad and deep. There are over 2,000 companies with revenues between \$20 million and \$200 million. We believe we bring something different to the table for them. Being independent allows us to be flexible. If the deal makes sense, we're quick to say 'Let's do it.'"

The medical community in Dallas has been especially impressed with the Bank's technology and innovation. "We also appreciate the quick, easy access to top management," says Dr. Robert Scheinberg, partner with Texas Orthopedic Associates, one of the top orthopedic practices in Dallas. "And, because of the level of service and attention we know we can count on, many of us maintain our personal accounts there as well."

Kelley expects the Bank to have a strong presence in the Metroplex. "We're in a position to bring tremendous value to the region and its companies, and in a way that shows we appreciate the business."

We're in a great position to compete against the global banks here and we can do it in a way that shows we appreciate the business. It's not a 1-800 relationship.

Terry Kelley, Chairman of the Dallas-Fort Worth region, Amegy Bank





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Consolidated Balance Sheet

Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts

December 31	2003	2004
ASSETS		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 390,890	\$ 327,558
Federal funds sold and other cash equivalents	94,908	14,417
Total cash and cash equivalents	485,798	341,975
Securities available for sale (including \$254,235 and \$319,599 pledged to creditors)	1,549,398	1,927,204
Securities held to maturity (fair value of \$0 and \$58,569)	-	58,033
Loans held for sale	96,899	107,404
Loans held for investment, net of allowance for loan losses of \$41,611 and \$49,408	3,450,062	4,490,170
Premises and equipment, net	117,951	164,443
Accrued interest receivable	21,630	30,200
Goodwill	25,647	149,846
Core deposit intangibles	6,185	27,246
Other assets	193,563	209,082
Total assets	\$ 5,947,133	\$ 7,505,603
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Deposits:		
Demand - noninterest-bearing	\$ 1,513,038	\$ 1,871,228
Demand - interest-bearing	43,452	135,003
Money market accounts	1,709,755	2,091,624
Savings	131,059	205,593
Time, \$100 and over	642,590	944,283
Other time	363,345	372,312
Total deposits	4,403,239	5,620,043
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	285,571	273,344
Other borrowings	679,812	770,034
Senior subordinated debenture	-	75,000
Junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures	51,547	149,486
Accrued interest payable	1,822	2,902
Other liabilities	25,821	34,380
Total liabilities	5,447,812	6,925,189
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders' equity:		
Preferred stock - \$0.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized; 0 issued and		
outstanding at December 31, 2003 and December 31, 2004	-	-
Common stock - \$1 par value, 150,000,000 shares authorized; 68,458,286 issued		
and 68,427,798 outstanding at December 31, 2003; 70,198,456 issued		
and 70,095,949 outstanding at December 31, 2004	68,458	70,198
Additional paid-in capital	65,380	92,330
Retained earnings	368,069	428,311
Deferred compensation	(4,215)	(5,469)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	2,050	(3,221)
Treasury stock, at cost - 30,488 shares and 102,507 shares, respectively	(421)	(1,735)
Total shareholders' equity	499,321	580,414
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 5,947,133	\$ 7,505,603

Consolidated Statement of Income

Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts

Year Ended December 31		2002	2003	 2004
Interest income:				
Loans	\$ 177	,837	\$ 185,666	\$ 217,140
Securities:				
Taxable	52	,533	43,959	56,046
Tax-exempt	4	,426	5,651	9,317
Federal funds sold and other		798	968	 726
Total interest income	235	,594	 236,244	 283,229
Interest expense:				
Deposits	48	,962	36,971	39,830
Borrowings	10	,817	8,754	16,847
Total interest expense	59	,779	 45,725	 56,677
Net interest income	175	,815	190,519	226,552
Provision for loan losses	11	,037	 11,850	 10,212
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	164	,778	 178,669	 216,340
Noninterest income:				
Service charges on deposit accounts	33	,936	40,065	46,345
Investment services	9	,302	9,712	12,682
Other fee income	11	,343	18,326	22,722
Bank-owned life insurance income	4	,860	6,009	7,047
Other operating income	4	,090	6,351	6,743
Gain on sale of loans, net	1	,868	1,522	978
Gain (loss) on sale of securities, net	1	,737	1,224	(12)
Total noninterest income	67	,136	 83,209	 96,505
Noninterest expenses:				
Salaries and employee benefits	81	,486	97,176	117,869
Occupancy expense	24	,066	29,690	37,657
Professional services	8	,626	9,640	12,514
Core deposit intangible amortization expense		_	1,368	4,947
Other operating expenses	31	,537	35,868	 43,624
Total noninterest expenses	145	,715	173,742	216,611
Income before income taxes	86	,199	88,136	96,234
Provision for income taxes	26	,993	27,407	27,691
Net income	\$ 59	,206	\$ 60,729	\$ 68,543
Earnings per common share:				
Basic	\$	0.88	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.99
Diluted	\$	0.86	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.97
Dividends per common share	\$	_	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.12

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts

	Comr Shares	non Stock Dollars	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Deferred Compensation	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Treasury Stock	Total Shareholders' Equity
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2001 Exercise of stock options Issuance of restricted common stock,	65,848,196 1,539,406	\$ 65,848 1,539	\$ 41,828 12,803	\$ 251,552	\$ (1,364)	\$ 3,870	\$ -	\$ 361,734 14,342
net of shares forfeited into Treasury Deferred compensation amortization Comprehensive income:	324,528	325	3,389		(3,714) 853			- 853
Net income for the year ended December 31, 2002 Net change in unrealized appreciation on securities				59,206				59,206
available for sale, net of deferred taxes of (\$6,195) Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income,						11,427		11,427
net of deferred taxes of \$696 Minimum pension liability, net						(1,264)		(1,264)
of deferred taxes of \$418 Total comprehensive income						(775)		(775) 68,594
	67,712,130 638,376	67,712 638	58,020 5,962	310,758	(4,225)	13,258	-	445,523 6,600
net of shares forfeited into Treasury Issuance of non-employee director stock	107,000 < 780	107 1	1,386 12		(1,488)		(5)	- 13
Purchase of treasury stock Deferred compensation amortization Cash dividends, \$0.05 per common sha			. •	(3,418)	1,498		(416)	(416) 1,498 (3,418)
Comprehensive income: Net income for the year ended December 31, 2003 Net change in unrealized appreciation				60,729				60,729
on securities available for sale, net of deferred taxes of \$5,109 Reclassification adjustment for gains						(9,484)		(9,484)
included in net income, net of deferred taxes of \$849 Minimum pension liability, net of						(1,576)		(1,576)
deferred taxes of \$80	,					(148)		(148)
Total comprehensive income								49,521
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2003 Exercise of stock options Issuance of restricted common stock,	68,458,286 837,684	68,458 838	65,380 8,892	368,069	(4,215)	2,050	(421)	499,321 9,730
net of shares forfeited into Treasury Issuance of non-employee director stock Purchase of Klein Bancshares, Inc.	147,390 7,628 747,468	147 8 747	2,879 124 15,055		(3,020)		(6)	- 132 15,802
Purchase of treasury stock Deferred compensation amortization Cash dividends, \$0.12 per common sha		, .,	13,033	(8,301)	1,766		(1,308)	(1,308) 1,766 (8,301)
Comprehensive income: Net income for the year ended				(0,501)				(0,501)
December 31, 2004 Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on securities available for sale, net of deferred	n			68,543				68,543
taxes of \$2,630 Reclassification adjustment for						(5,533)		(5,533)
losses included in net income, net of deferred taxes of (\$187) Minimum pension liability, net of						310		310
deferred taxes of \$26						(48)		(48)
Total comprehensive income								63,272
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2004	70,198,456	\$ 70,198	\$ 92,330	\$ 428,311	\$ (5,469)	\$ (3,221)	\$ (1,735)	\$ 580,414

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Dollars in thousands

Year Ended December 31	2002	2003		2004
Cash flows from operating activities:		,		
Net income	\$ 59,206	\$ 60,729	\$	68,543
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	·,	•,	•	,
Provision for loan losses	11,037	11,850		10,212
Deferred tax expense (benefit)	2,758	(640)		(1,345
Depreciation	9,201	11,927		14,861
Valuation adjustments for mortgage servicing rights, net	2,371	(2,371)		· –
Realized (gain) loss on securities available for sale, net	(1,737)	(1,224)		12
Gain on sale of premises and equipment, net	(839)	(8)		(27
Amortization and accretion of securities' premiums and discounts, net	6,058	11,176		5,237
Amortization of mortgage servicing rights	4,180	4,806		2,224
Amortization of computer software	3,677	4,927		6,612
Amortization of core deposit intangibles	. –	1,368		4,947
Other amortization	853	1,498		1,766
Minority interest in net income of consolidated subsidiary	40	· -		_
Gain on sale of subsidiary	(1,068)	_		_
Income tax benefit from exercise of stock options	6,500	1,885		2,973
Net change in:	-,	,		,-
Loans held for sale	(14,365)	4,490		(10,505
Other assets and liabilities, net	28,157	(16,802)		(6,734
Net cash provided by operating activities	116,029	93,611		98,776
	110,029	35,011		30,770
Cash flows from investing activities:	25.270	74.440		£2.200
Proceeds from maturity and call of securities available for sale	25,370	71,119		53,280
Proceeds from sale of securities available for sale	139,436	652,529		1,162,060
Proceeds from sale of subsidiary, net of cash sold	(3,003)	-		207.400
Principal paydowns of mortgage-backed securities available for sale	445,632	533,194		297,108
Principal paydowns of mortgage-backed securities held to maturity	(72.4.660)	(4.572.045)	,	3,775
Purchase of securities available for sale	(724,668)	(1,573,915)	((1,593,349)
Purchase of Federal Reserve Bank stock	(294)	(28)		(4,052
Proceeds from redemption of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	5,699	6,765		28,716
Purchase of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	(24,395)	(5,046)		(36,020
Net increase in loans held for investment	(461,126)	(280,191)		(732,835
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment	1,905	82		829
Purchase of premises and equipment	(46,947)	(32,531)		(46,022
Purchase of mortgage servicing rights	(804)	(281)		-
Purchase of Bank-owned life insurance policies	_	(30,000)		-
Purchase of Maxim Financial Holdings, Inc., net of cash acquired of \$142,658	_	79,618		(20.004)
Purchase of Reunion Bancshares, Inc., net of cash acquired of \$30,596	-	_		(20,004)
Purchase of Klein Bancshares, Inc., net of cash acquired of \$78,060	(0.50)	(2.052)		(71,138)
Investment in unconsolidated equity investees	(862)	(3,053)		(5,808)
Net cash used in investing activities	(644,057)	(581,738)		(963,460
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Net increase in noninterest-bearing demand deposits	309,613	153,445		118,692
Net increase (decrease) in time deposits	(33,882)	61,395		202,737
Net increase in other interest-bearing deposits	231,470	34,814		153,350
Net increase (decrease) in securities sold under repurchase agreements	(82,958)	10,128		(12,227
Issuance of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures, net of cost	(02,550)	51,047		97,939
Issuance of senior subordinated deterrable interest depending, her or cost		51,047		75,000
Net increase in other short-term borrowings	186,212	27,242		286,470
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	100,000	200,000		2,200
Payments on long-term borrowings	(361)	(100,391)		(200,448
Payments of cash dividends	(501)	(3,418)		(8,301
Net proceeds from exercise of stock options	7,842	4,715		6,757
Purchase of treasury stock	7,042	(416)		(1,308
Net cash provided by financing activities	717,936	438,561		720,861
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	189,908	(49,566)		(143,823
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	345,456	535,364		485,798
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 535,364	\$ 485,798	\$	341,975
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